

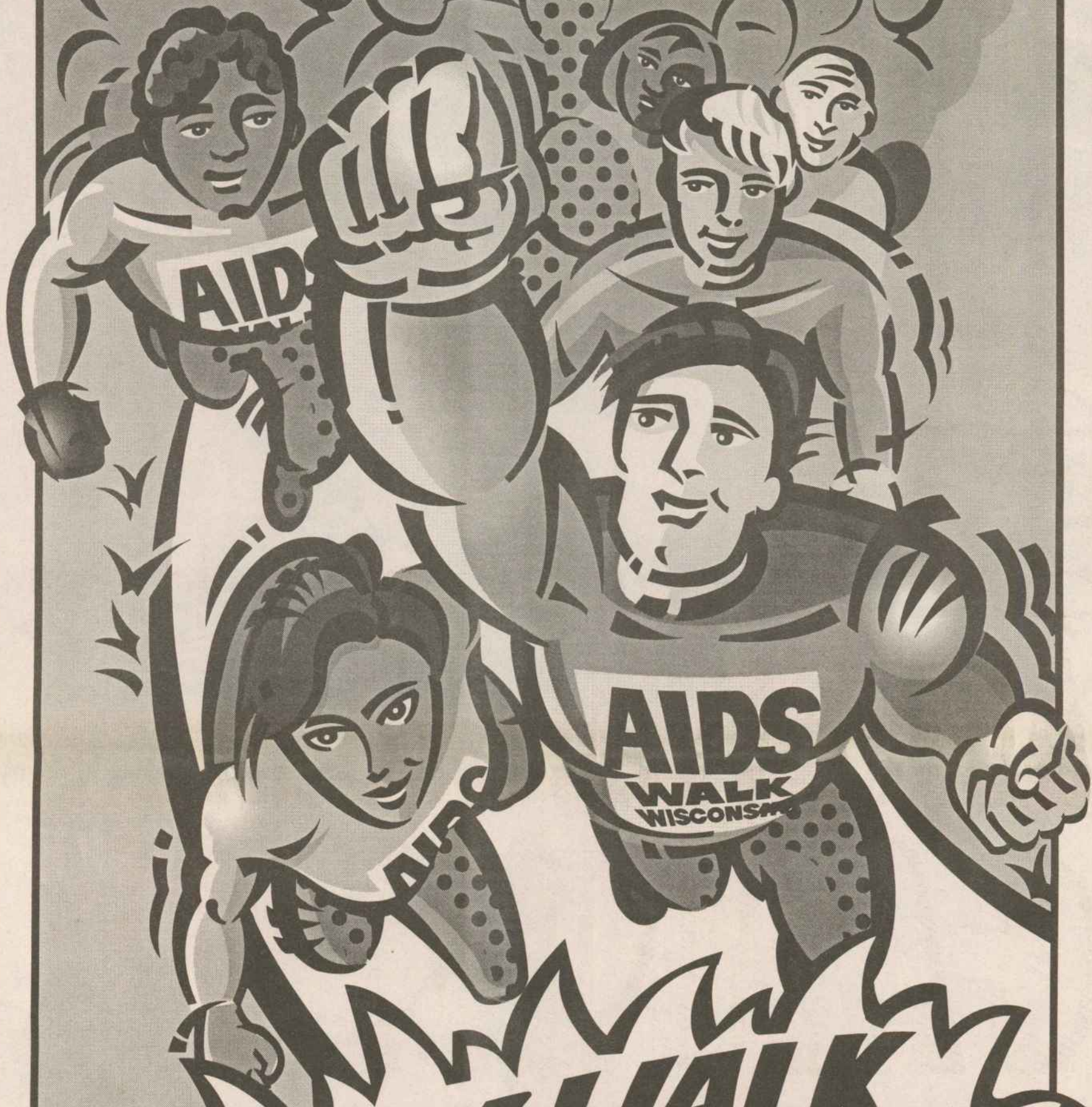
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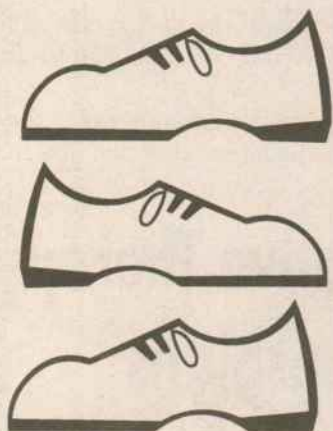
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Louganis Named AIDS Walk Honorary Chair



—Greg Louganis, 1997 AIDS Walk Wisconsin Chair

Milwaukee — Greg Louganis, four-time Olympic gold medalist, will be in attendance as honorary chair of the eighth AIDS Walk Wisconsin on Sunday, September 21, 1997.

The day will begin with Louganis speaking at the AIDS Walk Breakfast held at 9:30 a.m. at the Italian Community Center. Tickets can be purchased by calling (414) 225-1517. He will then welcome walkers at the opening ceremonies at 12 noon, cut the ribbon and start the Walk at 12:30 p.m.

All walkers turning in \$2,000 or more in pledges when they sign-in the day of the Walk will get their picture taken with Greg Louganis.

ARCW Executive Director Doug Nelson said Louganis is the perfect

choice to lead this year's AIDS Walk.

"Greg will come to the Walk with a strong message," said Nelson. "As a gay man who is living with HIV disease and an American Olympic hero, he will rally Wisconsin to make a greater commitment to the fight against AIDS."

Louganis was diagnosed as HIV positive in 1988, however, he had begun his

part in the fight against AIDS in 1986 after meeting Ryan White, whom Louganis calls his "inspiration and guardian angel."

The 10k walk along Milwaukee's Lakefront is Wisconsin's largest AIDS fund raiser, benefiting 18 organizations throughout the state. Past honorary chairs include Bette Middler, Vice President Al Gore and Tipper Gore, Milwaukee Brewer Darryl Hamilton and Magic Johnson among others.

The AIDS Walk Steering Committee co-chairs are Richard Strong and Steve Swetlik. Since the Walk began in 1990, over \$4 million has been raised for AIDS care, prevention and research programs. Last year alone, more than 12,000 walkers raised over \$1 million.

Pre-registration for AIDS Walk Wisconsin is required and easy. People interested in participating in this year's Walk should call 800-348-WALK or register online at www.arcw.org.

Once registered, participants will receive everything they need to have a successful Walk experience, including pledge forms, Walk updates and tips on how to collect pledges.

APA Knocks "Reparative Therapy" Aimed at Gays and Lesbians

by Keith Clark
of the In Step Staff

Chicago, IL — In a carefully worded declaration, the American Psychological Association at its annual convention adopted a resolution that its supporters hope will "discourage" so-called "reparative" or "conversion" therapies that try to turn homosexuals into heterosexuals.

The APA's Council of Representatives overwhelmingly agreed that it was important for the association, which represents some 151,000 mental health professionals, to adopt the resolution.

The resolution states that "homosexuality is not a mental disorder and the APA opposes all portrayals of lesbians, gay and bisexual people as mentally ill and in need of treatment due to their sexual orientation."

But the resolution stopped short of condemning reparative therapy because of legal and professional concerns raised when the issue first arose before the APA in 1995. The earlier proposal was attacked then by some as an infringement of free speech and possible restraint of trade, and the APA's legal advisers said its adoption might lead to possible lawsuits against the association.

Gay rights advocates praised the APA for the resolution, but said it just doesn't go far enough. Kerry Lobel of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force in Washington, D.C., said "anything short of full condemnation for this repugnant practice leaves the door open for reparative therapy's further escalation."

Chicago's "Boystown" to Get \$3.2 Million Face Lift

Chicago (AP) — A six-block stretch of North Halsted Street will receive over \$3 million for a city-financed face-lift celebrating the neighborhood's gay and lesbian community, under a plan which was unveiled last Sunday at North Halsted Market Days.

Backers of the streetscape plan say it trumpets the area's strong economy and diversity. But 22 steel pylons that will be placed along the street will include a rainbow ring of lights, reflecting the colors in the gay pride flag — a clear message that this is a special area for gays and lesbians.

"Chicago is definitely a first," said Mark Johnson, spokesman for the National Gay & Lesbian Task Force. "But I don't think it will be the last time you'll see it. It'll be trend-setting for other areas as well."

The focal points of the project will be two 25-foot-high gateway structures featuring the rainbow ring that will be built in the middle of Halsted just south of Grace and Broadway and just north of Briar Place. They will act as bookends for an area to be called North Halsted Street.

The city's Transportation Department plans to start construction next spring and be completed by summer's end. The intersection of Halsted and Roscoe streets, considered the midpoint of the neighborhood, will get special attention, with widened sidewalks and a special concrete pattern.

On Our Cover: [Inset] Douglas Simonson's "Cooling Off." See story page 22 in The Arts.

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Popular Milwaukee Bartender, Kevin Rotar Presumed Drowned

by William Attewell
of the In Step Staff

Milwaukee — Kevin Rotar, a well-known Milwaukee bartender is dead, a presumed drowning victim, after diving into Lake Michigan during a boat outing on August 9. Rotar was 41. As *In Step* went to press, it was learned that Rotar's body was recovered near Mequon on Monday, August 18.

According to Coast Guard spokesman, Matthew Brooks, the investigation is on-going until the body is examined, but he told *In Step*, "at this time we consider it to be an accident."

According to Chuck Cicerello, manager of Club 219 who piloted the boat, a group of eight friends and co-workers, including Rotar, were on board a 30-foot boat, after enjoying an early afternoon picnic.

The boat was traveling south, inside the breakwater, beyond the South Shore Yacht Club, and near the new Harnishfager building when, according to Cicerello, the wind came up and took his hat.

According to Cicerello, he turned the boat back, at the urging of passengers, who spotted the hat and thought it could be retrieved. Passengers, including Rotar, reached over near the back of the boat to grab the hat, but were unable to retrieve it after two or three



Kevin Rotar

attempts. It then floated close to the stern of the boat where another attempt was made. The boat was stopped, but not anchored.

According to *In Step's* Ron Geiman, who was on board the boat, Rotar stated he wanted to jump in to retrieve the hat, but was urged not to by other passengers. Rotar then took his shirt off, and made "a perfect shallow dive," and "swam five or six strokes, turned around and held the hat up."

Rotar is then quoted as saying, "Help me!"

Passengers on the boat then tossed life jackets toward Rotar, but he did not grab them. Rotar called for help again, and an attempt to throw him a rope was readied. Rotar then went under the water, and did not come up.

Both Cicerello and Geiman stated that Rotar did not thrash about, and

made no attempt to swim back to the boat. According to Geiman the whole incident lasted no more than two minutes.

"It was like he was sucked straight down," stated Geiman.

Witnesses indicated they did not believe Rotar had been drinking alcohol that day, or using drugs.

Brooks stated there could a wide range of factors that played into the incident, and an exact cause could not be determined until the body is examined.

"He could have hit his head when he dived in, and then became disoriented. He could have cramped up after diving into the cold water. He could have gone into cardiac arrest, it could have been a thousand different things," said Brooks.

A popular bartender for nearly 20 years, Rotar had become a fixture in Milwaukee gay clubs with stints at YP, Triangle, Wreck Room and most recently Club 219.

"Kevin was an excellent employee, a go-getter, and a person concerned with others," Cicerello said of Rotar.

"He was a sweetheart, and a real professional bartender, said Geiman. "When someone new came into the bar, he was the one who would make them feel comfortable and welcome. He was a wonderful ambassador for our community."

Baldwin Heads List of Victory Fund Candidates

by William Attewell
of the In Step Staff



Tammy Baldwin. Photo: Jorge Cabal

Washington, DC — The Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund, a gay and lesbian political action group, has recommended 14 openly gay and lesbian candidates to its national donor network, included on the list is Madison State Representative Tammy Baldwin who is running for the Second District seat being vacated by Republican Congressman Scott Klug in 1998.

The Victory Fund endorsement gives candidates access to financial and technical support during political campaigns. All 14 candidates underwent rigorous screening to determine their electoral viability and suitability for the offices they seek.

Baldwin told *In Step* she was pleased with the endorsement adding, "I think the Victory Fund's endorsement is symbolic of the momentum the campaign has right now, it is

very important to me, to see national organizations signing on this early in the campaign."

Baldwin's run for national office is fueled nearly \$100,000 in campaign contributions already received for next year's race. According to Baldwin she feels the Victory Fund announcement adds to the momentum of her campaign, "It makes me proud ... that they [the Victory Fund] believes in our ability, here in Wisconsin, to win this race."

"The Victory Fund's goal is to elect outstanding gay and lesbian citizens to every level of public office in every state in this nation," says Victory Fund Executive Director Brian Bond.

"This slate of exceptional candidates is a clear indication of the progress we're making toward that goal." The only national organization whose sole mission is to increase the number of qualified, openly gay and lesbian public officials, the Victory Fund has already racked up two early wins this year by helping to elect Richard Gordon to the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors and Bill Weinberger to the Los Angeles Charter Commission.

Other candidates include; Deborah Glick [D] for Manhattan Borough President; Primary: 9 Sept 1997. Susan Leal for San Francisco City Treasurer; Election: 4 Nov 1997. Jay Fisette [D] for Arlington (VA) County Board; General: 4 Nov 1997. Phil Reed [D] for N.Y. City Council; Primary: 9 Sept 1997. Margarita Lopez [D] for N.Y. City Council; Primary: 9 Sept 1997. Malcolm Gideons for Atlanta City Council; General: 4 Nov 1997. Cathy Woolard for Atlanta City Council; General: 4 Nov 1997. Annise Parker for Houston City Council; General: 4 Nov 1997 and Jim McGill for Wilkinsburg Borough Council; Primary: 9 Sept 1997.

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SAGE/Milwaukee Bereavement Support Group to Form

by Ed Grover
of the In Step Staff

Milwaukee — SAGE/Milwaukee is planning to offer a bereavement group for anyone in the LGBT community, regardless of age. This support group is in the planning stages for September. There will be no cost, and anyone who has lost a lover, a dear friend, or a relative of any age — for any reason — is welcome to attend.

The group will be led by Arlene Kochman, M.S.W., C.S.W., who is volunteering her services. Kochman is a lesbian and is the Project Coordinator for the *Living Beyond Loss Project* at the Center for AIDS Intervention Research (CAIR), and was the Executive Director of SAGE/New York for twelve years where she designed programs for gay and lesbian seniors across the country.

In a recent discussion Kochman told *In Step*, "Over the years at SAGE/NY I discovered that many of the bereavement support groups and most of the other things available to people who are grieving are heterosexually bound. These heterosexual groups, whether they are homophobic or not, don't really get it. They don't understand that these people who have passed away are part of our families. Most of the [gay and lesbian] people I knew who had lost lovers and friends, suffered by not being able to discuss these losses because there was no validation by their heterosexual families, friends and neighbors."

It was just, 'Oh, your friend died, I'm sorry,' and that was it. People suddenly became lost and began to look for people like themselves where they could talk about their feelings."

Kochman adds, "The feeling of at

least being in a safe space where you can talk about your life and actualize your feelings is very important. You have to remember ... and you have to talk about it. You have to be able to go back and share things instead of hiding them. So, to put people in an atmosphere where even if we're just talking, a bond is formed. Society has forced us to bond among ourselves because of our exclusion in so many other areas. It's the safety and also the freedom to talk about it that is so important."

Kochman believes that many in the LGBT waste their energies because they have to hide their sexual identities. She believes that this new group will allow people to completely relax and talk about what's going on.

Kochman believes it will be more than a self-help group, "People can grieve so hard and despair can be setting in — people can get depressed and not know it. With a professional person running the group there is more of a safety net; if something comes up that's overwhelming, that you feel sad about, you will feel more comfortable being able to work through things — in terms of loss — in a safe environment."

Anyone interested in registering for this twelve-session bereavement support group should call SAGE/Milwaukee at 414/271-0378. You may also write to SAGE at: PO Box 92482, Milwaukee, WI, 53202.

Kochman indicated she will make follow-up calls and when there are enough people (about 8 to 10), the group will be scheduled at a convenient time and place for everyone concerned.

October Slated as Lesbian and Gay History Month

New York, NY — The Gay & Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation (GLAAD) announced that October is "Lesbian & Gay History Month: A Celebration of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender History." The theme of this fourth annual event is "Charting the Future, Reclaiming the Past," which will highlight the often ignored contributions of gay figures and the community in history.

During Lesbian & Gay History Month, the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community examines its political struggle, cultural achievements and collective creativity. "Lesbian & Gay History Month creates a more honest and complete understanding of history by telling untold stories," said Joan M. Garry, GLAAD's Executive Director. "It provides us with the opportunity to reflect on the distance we have traveled as a community and to honor the stewards of that journey."

GLAAD is co-sponsoring Lesbian & Gay History Month with a large number of other national organizations, including the Gay, Lesbian and Straight Teachers Network, the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force and the Black Gay and Lesbian Leadership Forum, among many others. In addition, American Express Financial Advisors will serve as Lesbian & Gay History Month's primary corporate sponsor.

GLAAD's official History Month World Wide Web site can be accessed through GLAAD's Homepage at www.glaad.org. The site will be continuously updated with a listing of new co-sponsors, community endorsers, a calendar listing of History Month events and information on how everyone can participate in this celebration.

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Kolbe Addresses Log Cabin Convention

Washington, DC — The largest gathering of gay and lesbian Republican activists ever held attracted a record number of top Republican speakers in Washington, D.C., late last month, and featured a highly-anticipated address from the most senior openly gay Member of Congress.

Over 300 activists were present to hear Congressman Jim Kolbe (R-AZ), the openly-gay chairman of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on

“Why is it that as gay Republicans, we have allowed gay Democrats, largely committed to the collectivist state, to speak for gay and lesbian rights?”

—CONGRESSMAN JIM KOLBE

Treasury, Postal Service and General Government, deliver his first speech before a national gay and lesbian organization. In his keynote address before the convention banquet, Kolbe spoke of the events leading to his coming out in July 1996, telling the story of how a distinguished career in public service as a leader on a wide array of issues faced the prospect of a simplified label: “the gay Congressman.”

“I was simply reasserting myself as the Congressman from Arizona’s Fifth District, the acknowledged Republican leader for free trade and open markets, the new advocate of Social Security reform, the proponent of less government, lower taxes and more individual responsibility,” Kolbe said. “Oh yes, I happened to be a gay person, too. But being gay was not — and is not today — my defining persona.”

○ Kolbe also laid out his vision for the gay and lesbian movement for the first time in such a public forum. Bringing the cheering crowd to its feet several times.

“Why is it that as gay Republicans, we have allowed gay Democrats, largely committed to the collectivist state, to speak for gay and lesbian rights? Why are the ones committed to expanding government control over our lives in housing and education, the ones who would nibble at our freedom through use and abuse of the tax code and regulatory system — why, how, are they presumed to speak for gay rights?” Kolbe said. “What distortion of the definition of freedom and liberty has given them unfiltered access to the megaphone to trumpet the views of gays?”

Kolbe also took on the far right within the Republican Party, challenging the gay community to grapple with moral issues and stand up to the anti-gay movement.

“We must not let the religious fundamentalists to use ‘morality’ as a cudgel against us,” Kolbe said. “Just as we must challenge liberal Democrats on policy issues where we know them to be wrong, so must we engage in an honest, candid debate with ourselves on moral issues that affect the gay and lesbian community.”

Senator Alfonse D’Amato (R-NY) received the Spirit of Lincoln Award for his leadership on gay rights and AIDS funding, and gave a speech about the discrimination that his Italian-American family faced a generation ago. He spoke of his uncle, who anglicized his name to find employment, and his father who kept his name and suffered discrimination. Drawing a parallel to gays and lesbians who face the choice between the closet and coming out, he reiterated his support for gays in the military and the Employment Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA), of which he is an original co-sponsor.

On Capitol Hill, a group of Republican Members of Congress briefed members of the LCR Lincoln Club, a major donor group, on a range of issues before the current session. Log Cabin members were briefed by Republican Members of Congress, Rep. Sherwood Boehlert (R-NY), Rep. Christopher Shays (R-CT), Rep. Brian Bilbray (R-CA), Rep. Connie Morella (R-MD), Rep. Rick Lazio (R-NY), Rep. Tom Campbell

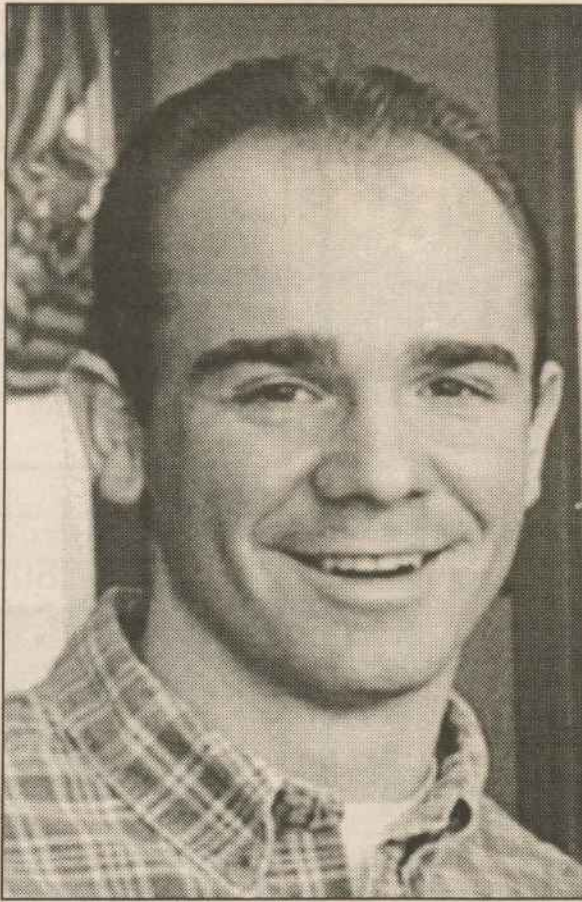
(R-CA), Rep. Sue Kelly (R-NY), Rep. Jim Greenwood (R-PA), and Rep. Jon Fox (R-PA), who described the events of the day.

Author Michelangelo Signorile discussed his latest book, *Life Outside, The Signorile Report on Gay Men: Sex, Drugs, Muscles and the Passages of Life*, a critique of the gay circuit party culture, and its consequences for the gay community. In his speech, Signorile warned that the gay and lesbian community must confront the problems which created this subculture, and work to prevent a surge in HIV infection and drug addiction among the next generation of gay men.

State Rep. Chuck Carpenter (R-OR), the openly gay legislator who shut down the Oregon House to force a vote on an employment non-discrimination bill, accepted the LCR Leadership Award. Carpenter spoke of the long days spent planning and executing his strategy for Oregon ENDA in the state House, and the impact that the experience had on him personally.

Youth activist — and gay Republican — Jamie Nabozny accepted the Courage of Lincoln Award for his successful fight against the Wisconsin public school district which permitted anti-gay harassment and abuse against him while he was a student. In his remarks, Nabozny commented that while touring the country speaking on his fight against intolerance for being gay, he has faced intolerance from gay and lesbian people over the fact that he is Republican.

The convention delegates also passed a number of issue-related resolutions, including a call for the Republican Party to remove anti-gay planks from the party platform in 2000, and for state legislatures to repeal antiquated sodomy laws. Delegates also voted to commend the GOP Congressional leadership on AIDS funding and advancing employment non-discrimina-



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tion legislation, and called on “non-partisan” national gay and lesbian organizations to endorse Senator Alfonse D’Amato (R-NY) and Senator Arlen

Specter (R-PA) for re-election in 1998. One resolution on abortion rights, which passed 98-38, called on the GOP “to officially take a neutral stance on the issue of choice.” During the debate, the supporters of the resolution made it clear that its passage would not alter Log Cabin Republicans’ neutral position on abortion, and that the organization would continue to be equally inclusive of pro-choice and pro-life gays and lesbians.

Also on the Newswire...

Death Threats Target Minneapolis Gay Business

Minneapolis, MN — Police say vandals spray-painted hate messages across the front of two downtown shops, a gay bookstore, and a now-closed gay restaurant.

The two storefronts were sprayed with messages reading “KKK 187 Fags.” The number 187 is the police radio code for murder, and authorities said they were taking the implied threat seriously.

But Harvey Hertz, the owner of the bookstore Brother’s Touch, told local reporters he wasn’t going to be intimidated by the scrawled graffiti on the front of his store. “That’s the whole purpose of these groups, and that’s how they operate,” Hertz said. “To try to get you scared enough to disappear and become invisible. But I’m not going anywhere.”

Despite the tolerant and liberal reputation of the state, anti-violence groups reported in June that anti-gay attacks in the state continued to rise in 1996—both in frequency, and in the intensity of violence—and that the number of such attacks they recorded last year was five times greater than the number recorded by state law enforcement officials.

Feds OK Lesbian Health Study Panel

Atlanta, GA — Government officials with the National Institutes of Health and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have approved establishing an expert panel to study lesbian health issues, a first for government agencies that many say have badly neglected health concerns of lesbians in the past.

The program will be known as the Lesbian Health Research Priorities panel and, although little is known about it as yet, health activists say it panel will be empowered to study health issues concerning lesbians and to propose how researchers could go about studying such issues.

New AIDS Drugs Causing Widespread Financial Troubles

New York, NY — According to a report in *Newsweek* magazine, 35 of the 52 state-run AIDS programs, known as ADAPs, had had to make emergency financial adjustments to their services during the past year because of expensive new protease inhibitor drugs.

Ironically, the magazine reports that the new drugs, which have shown such dramatic results in prolonging the lives of many AIDS patients, is putting the state programs under such financial pressure that fewer and fewer people may be able to get the new treatment.

Newsweek quoted one AIDS activist as saying, “All these problems are being caused by good news.”

Australian AIDS Researchers Begin Gene Therapy Tests

Sydney — Australian AIDS researchers say they have begun preliminary safety tests of a possible gene therapy to battle HIV and that government health officials said may be “as important a discovery as that of penicillin.”

Researchers injected an HIV-positive man with genetically modified cells from his uninfected identical twin. The trials use an enzyme that has been designed to act as a “molecular scissors” against HIV’s genetic material. The hope is that the enzyme will block the virus’ ability to replicate at a genetic level and thereby both reduce the amount of HIV in the body and boost the body’s own immune system’s abilities to fight the infection.

The initial phase of the testing is aimed only at establishing the safety of the procedure and will involve six sets of identical twins — one infected twin and the other uninfected.

Zimbabwe President’s Rape Trial Delayed

Harare, Zimbabwe — The trial of Canaan Banana, the 61-year-old former president of Zimbabwe, on charges of raping several men on his staff when he was the country’s head of state, has been postponed until late September so he can hire one of the Zimbabwe’s best known lawyers.

Banana faces 11 counts of sodomy, attempted sodomy and indecent assault and the trial had been slated to start on Aug. 4.

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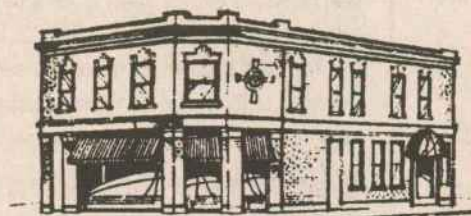
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Gay Health Conference Addresses AIDS Advances

by Jousha Feyen

Atlanta, GA — "Gay and lesbian health care has come of age," said Beverly Saunders Biddle, MHA, Executive Director of the National Lesbian and Gay Health Association. "But we have a long way to go to get equal access to health care, we are the voice for us on gay and lesbian issues."

Saunders Biddle's remarks opened the 19th National Lesbian & Gay Health Association's annual conference, July 26-31, attended by a number of Wisconsin delegates including, Andy Bagnall, Yuri Keegstra, and Michael Lisowski from the Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP), and Bea Green and Michael McFadden from the state AIDS/HIV Program attended the five-day conference in Atlanta, Georgia. The NLGHA is the nation's largest and oldest organization addressing health care issues affecting the LGBT community.

The keynote speaker at the opening ceremonies was Helene D. Gayle, MD, MPH, Director for the National Center for HIV, STD and TB Prevention, a division of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Gayle's opening remarks that there are 40,000 new infections of HIV in the U.S. each year were sobering reminders that the epidemic is not over. "Over 360,000 men, women and children have died from AIDS, and there are between 650,000 and 900,000 people living with HIV now," Gayle said.

On a more positive note, Gayle said that over the last 9 months (since the end of July, 1997) there had been a 10% decrease in AIDS deaths from the same period in 1995-96. "This offers us considerable hope," she said. Gayle's primary interest is in prevention, and she remarked that there is a complacency about AIDS, and a normalization about having HIV. "40,000 new infections a year is not normal!" she said.

Dr. Steve Boswell, Executive Director of Fenway Community Health Center in Boston, MA, spoke about where we stand in the fight against HIV and AIDS. "We have seen a significant decline in AIDS mortality which is directly related to new medications, but we do not yet have a clear picture of how to use these new treatments," Boswell said at the opening ceremonies. According to Boswell, in May, new guidelines regarding treatment were published. These include recommendations to start treatment earlier in the course of HIV infection. "We can't repair a damaged immune system, so we want to slow down the virus's ability to destroy it," Boswell said.

Much of Boswell's comments were very medical and clinical, but he summarized his presentation in layman's terms. He said that evidence shows that early treatment is effective in slowing HIV infection of the body. However, he said "The virus hides in many places, only one of which is in the blood. What happens if we can't get drugs to places like the brain, semen and vaginal fluid?" He said that with the 11 drugs that have been approved for HIV treatment, they have 150 combinations of drugs that can be tailored to an individual's needs, but only 30 combinations make scientific sense. "We need help to decide which combinations will be effective," Boswell added.

One of the more controversial subjects at the opening ceremonies came from Steven Wakefield from The Night Ministry in Chicago, Illinois. Wakefield works with vaccine trials for HIV. "The greatest scientific barrier to vaccine research is

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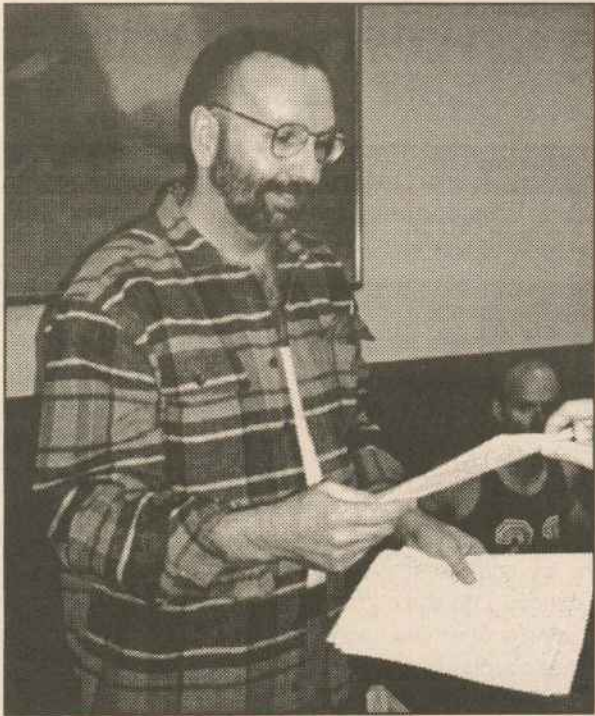
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that scientists don't want to move forward until they have all the answers. ACT UP advocated early movement forward without all the answers. The industry is afraid to move forward for fear of liability of the drug companies," Wakefield said. He advocated for moving



Eric Rofes, author of "Reviving the Tribe," spoke at the NLGHA Conference. Photo: Jousha Feyen

forward with the next phase of clinical trials, making sure there is plenty of community involvement along the way.

Wakefield also commented on post-exposure prophylactic medications for HIV. "This is no 'morning after' pill," Wakefield said. "The 'morning after' headline is not the whole story. It is a 30-day regimen that is difficult to adhere to, includes 3-4 days of being sick and weeks of side effects." He also stressed that a needle stick is not the same as unprotected sex. Wakefield is concerned that there is no scientific evidence that these medications work to stop HIV infection, and that the use of these medications could produce cross-resistant strains of HIV.

Before the opening ceremonies, there were five day-long pre-conference Institutes, one of which created a great deal of food for thought throughout the rest of the conference. The "First National Forum On and For HIV Negative Gay Men" addressed HIV-negative gay men, a much neglected population in the fight against AIDS. Prevention specialists from around the country suggest that HIV negative men have not been addressed adequately as people with unique health and coping issues of their own. Questions such as "What are the consequences of living in a time in which 'the end of AIDS' is being hyped, but the epidemic is far from over?" and "How can we update HIV prevention programs to reflect the chronic nature of the epidem-

ic?" were asked and discussed at the well-attended Institute.

Often controversial author Eric Rofes, (*Reviving the Tribe*), participated in the Institute's wrap-up session. He told the audience that gay men no longer see AIDS as a crisis, citing three changes since the epidemic began over 15 years ago.

First, Rofes suggested that the tidal wave of death has dropped, now that many men are living longer with HIV. Second, he pointed out that "sexual culture" is blossoming, citing the much talked about "bareback" (unprotected) sex among HIV positive men. Finally, he suggested that HIV negative men are learning that HIV is not a lethal disease, that it is not instant death. Rofes said "HIV is changing, having HIV is changing, and HIV negative men are changing." He argues that HIV prevention organizations need to change or close, that things are not the same as they were 15 years ago.

One of Rofes concrete suggestions to initiate this change is to shift work from AIDS prevention to an overall concern for gay men's health. "This is what men of color have said in their small groups for a long time," Rofes said. He suggested that addressing the overall health needs for gay men is a long-term approach to HIV prevention.

Fall TV Lineup to Include Record Number of Gay Characters

New York, NY — The Gay & Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation (GLAAD) announced last week that the 1997 fall television lineup will include a record setting 30 lesbian, gay and bisexual characters. This 23% increase compared to the historic 1996 fall lineup is the result of three characters introduced during the 1996/1997 year and four new characters this fall.

This year television welcomes four new primetime lesbian, gay and bisexual characters. Bill Broctrup, who also played gay characters on Steven Bochco's *NYPD Blue* and *Public Morals*, will portray a receptionist on ABC's *Total Security*. On NBC, *Veronica's Closet*, starring Kirstie Allie, will introduce Joshua, played by Wallace Langham. While closeted during the season opener, sources tell GLAAD he will soon bust out. *Head Over Heels*, on UPN, will feature recurring *Ellen* actor Patrick Bristow as Ian, a celibate bisexual. And on FOX's *413 Hope Street*, Karime Prince will portray Melvin, a flamboyantly fierce HIV-positive black gay youth.

But the High Court agreed to delay the proceedings until Sept. 22 so Banana's current attorneys can retain Chris Andersen to head the ex-president's defense team.

Vancouver Top Cop Marches in Pride Parade

Vancouver — Bruce Chambers, Vancouver's new chief of police, joined a cadre of openly gay and lesbian officers to march in the city's annual Gay Pride parade - the first time a police chief has marched in any of Canada's Gay Pride events.

Also marching in the parade were the city's mayor, four members of the city council, and British Columbia's health minister and attorney general.

Chambers said he decided to join the parade because he wanted to help "build trust with all members of society" and that he wanted to back up his words with action.

Canadians Looking at 'Decentralized' Needle-Swap Program

Vancouver — Researchers studying IV drug users in Vancouver had concluded that centralized needle-exchange programs, like the one operated in the city, may actually increase the spread of HIV among injection drug users rather than reduce it. But, the researchers say, the solution to this problem isn't to bar needle-exchange programs but instead to dramatically increase them.

The researchers found that among IV drug users, those who use the city's needle-swap program to exchange syringes are more likely to be infected with HIV than those who don't.

The scientists say the reason may be that needle exchanges in most cities are operated from a central spot and that they attract IV users who may then begin buying drugs in the area, sharing drugs with other users they meet at the exchanges, leading to a greater likelihood of transmission.

But the researchers said that, in addition to making sure needle exchanges also include counseling, education and support services, needle-swap programs should be decentralized and broadened so needles would be available through all kinds of sources, including community clinics, hospital emergency rooms, rehabilitation centers, pharmacies, doctors' offices, and other medical sites.

Vancouver officials are already considering whether to decentralize its needle-exchange program, but there is opposition among some law enforcement and public health officials who are concerned that a decentralized program will be more subject to abuse.

Gay Sperm Donor Allowed to Seek Visitation Rights with Lesbians' Child

Chicago, IL — A Cook County judge has ruled that Kevin Green, a gay man who provided his sperm to a lesbian friend who wanted to have a baby, is legally entitled to seek parental rights to the child.

Lynn Alleruzo and her partner Charlene Crotty had a baby boy last fall using Green's sperm in a home artificial insemination. But Alleruzo and Crotty argued in their case that the state's Parentage Act barred sperm donors from asserting any parental rights.

Bug Cook County Judge Kathleen Kennedy ruled that the act only applies to semen donated to married couples, and cannot therefore apply to same-sex couples who are prohibited from legally marrying.

Alleruzo and Crotty contend that Green verbally agreed to give up any parental rights when he donated his semen.

Green is now free to seek visitation rights with the baby.

Proposed Anti-Marriage Ballot Measure Begins Circulating in California

Sacramento, CA — Bill Jones, California's secretary of state, has approved circulation of a proposed statewide ballot measure that would prohibit same-sex marriages, even if legally performed elsewhere, from being recognized in the state.

Jones' office certified the so-called "Definition of Marriage" ballot measure by a group known as Defense of Marriage based in Sacramento.

The group must collect 433,269 valid signature of registered voters by January 2, 1998, to qualify the proposed measure for next year's ballot.

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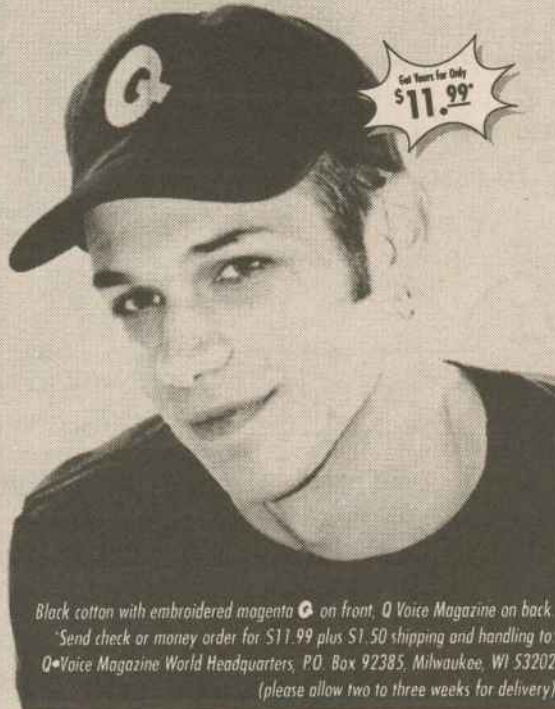
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Group Notes

CAIR Receives \$4 Million Grant for Inner-City HIV Prevention

Milwaukee — The Medical College of Wisconsin has received a \$4,166,000 three-year grant to develop and evaluate the effectiveness of HIV prevention programs for teenagers living in inner-city public housing developments. The grant was awarded to the Center for AIDS Intervention Research (CAIR) at the Medical College by the National Institute of Mental Health.

"Recent statistics show that Americans are contracting HIV at a much younger age than in the past," says Jeffrey A. Kelly, Ph.D., director of CAIR, professor of psychiatry and behavioral medicine, and principal investigator of the study. "It is clear that we need to develop large-scale prevention programs for adolescents because they are at high potential risk for contracting the disease."

The three-year study will focus on youths, ages 12 to 17, living in 15 low-income housing developments in the metro areas of five U.S. cities: Milwaukee, Seattle, Cleveland, Roanoke (Virginia), and Atlanta. While many past HIV prevention programs have provided one on one and small group counseling, this project will seek to mobilize teens on a community wide level to take on roles as AIDS prevention advocates to their peers. The youths will not only learn how to protect themselves from HIV, but will also learn how to talk effectively to other teens about the benefits of avoiding AIDS risk, creating a peer environment that supports the decisions of adolescents to protect themselves from HIV.

"For the project to be successful, it needs to be responsive to the values of the families, so development of the prevention education program will be preceded by six months of meetings with teenagers and their parents to gather their input," says Kelly. Parental advisory committees will also be formed to participate in program planning.

The new study with adolescents follows three years of HIV prevention work already undertaken by CAIR investigators with adult women in 18 U.S. inner-city housing developments. In the now-concluding study, it was shown that women who

are liked and well-respected by their neighbors in housing developments can take on roles as effective and credible AIDS prevention advocates to other women.

"We found that it is possible to mobilize women to talk with their neighbors about AIDS, and that this approach results in substantial reduction in HIV risk behavior among women throughout the housing development neighborhood," says Kathleen J. Sikkema, Ph.D., associate professor of psychiatry and behavioral medicine and co-principal investigator of the new adolescent study. Similar community methods will be conducted in the new project, which seeks to strengthen young adolescents' intentions to abstain from sex or, if already sexually active, to use condoms during sex.

"It is exciting that the plan for the new project came from women in the concluding study who asked that CAIR investigators extend their work to young people," Dr. Sikkema said.

To determine the success of the adolescent community-wide intervention, the housing developments will be divided into three groups. Adolescents in five of the housing developments will be invited to attend special HIV risk reduction workshops designed specially for young people. Adolescents in five other housing developments will attend the same workshops, but will also carry out a year long peer education HIV prevention community campaign planned by the young people themselves. Popular and well liked adolescents will serve as AIDS prevention advocates to other young people living in the same housing developments. In five other developments, adolescents will receive standard AIDS education materials. The three groups will then be compared one year later to determine how effectively each approach helps adolescents avoid HIV risk behavior.

In addition to Drs. Kelly and Sikkema, other Medical College study investigators are Raymond Hoffman, Ph.D., Timothy McAuliffe, Ph.D., Timothy G. Heckman, Ph.D., and Steven D. Pinkerton, Ph.D. Directed by the Medical College of Wisconsin team, study field activities will also be carried out by collaborating research teams at the University of Washington, Case Western Reserve University, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Georgia State University, and the University of Vermont.

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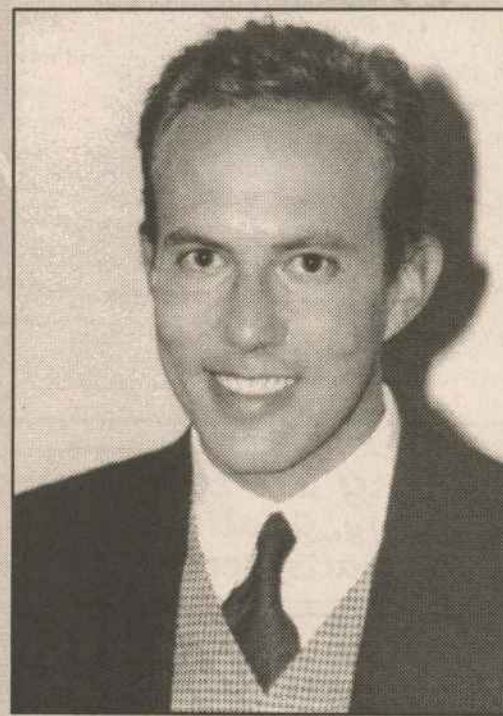
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Retreat for Women Living with HIV/AIDS

Milwaukee — Wisconsin women living with HIV disease will come together September 5-7 to explore spiritual, physical and emotional issues of life with HIV/AIDS. The retreat program will assist participants to consider methods for coping with the many facets of the disease.

The retreat is sponsored by Wisconsin agencies and institutions serving HIV positive women including: St. Camillus HIV/AIDS Ministry, SET Ministry, Visiting Nurses of Wisconsin, ARCW/MAP, and the Medical College of Wisconsin.

The retreat is offered free of charge to eligible participants. Financial sponsors are still being sought. Donations can be made payable to St. Camillus HIV/AIDS Ministry and mailed to 10101 West Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53226.

To register for this retreat or to receive a brochure with details, please call Jennifer at MAP, (414) 225-1574 or (800) 359-9272 extension 274.

HIT Bowlers Schedule Events

Milwaukee — The Holiday Invitational Tournament (HIT) Join Holiday Invitational Tournament (HIT) has scheduled a casino run and pub crawl to Green Bay on Saturday, September 27, 1997. The event will feature round trip luxury coach transportation. Ticket information will be available soon.

HIT Against AIDS, is billed as a fun-filled day of bowling features, raffles, giveaways and a chance to join with your friends in providing funding for AIDS related programs. HIT Against AIDS will be held on Saturday, August 23, 1994 at Landmark Lanes (2220 E. Farwell Avenue in Milwaukee at 2:00 p.m.

For more information about either event, call the HIT Info Line (414) 332-7142. Also, if you would like to become a part of our internet mailing

list to receive information on upcoming events, please send an e-mail to: HITtourn19@aol.com, we would be glad to hear from you.

NGLTF Conference Slated for November

Washington, DC — The 10th annual Creating Change Conference sponsored by the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, will be held November 12-16 in San Diego.

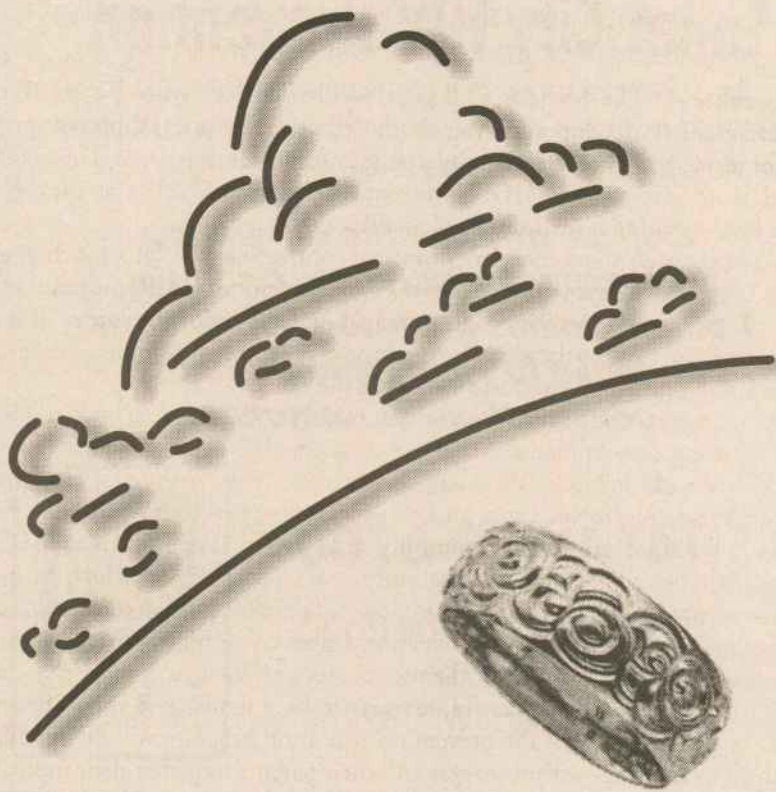
The event, billed as the national conference for the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender movement, will feature over 120 workshops and small group networking sessions designed to enhance the confidence and skills of activists and organizers who work at the local and state level.

Conference keynote speakers are Sheila James Kuehl, the first woman and the first lesbian to be named Speaker Pro Tem of the California Assembly; Martin Ornelas-Quintero, Executive Director of the National Latino/a Lesbian and Gay Organization (LLEGO); Roland Sintos Coloma, a former NGLTF Youth Institute graduate and a Filipino bisexual public school teacher; and Dorothy Allison, author of "Bastard Out of Carolina" and the forthcoming "Cavedweller." She will deliver the Second Annual Vito Russo Lecture on Art and Politics.

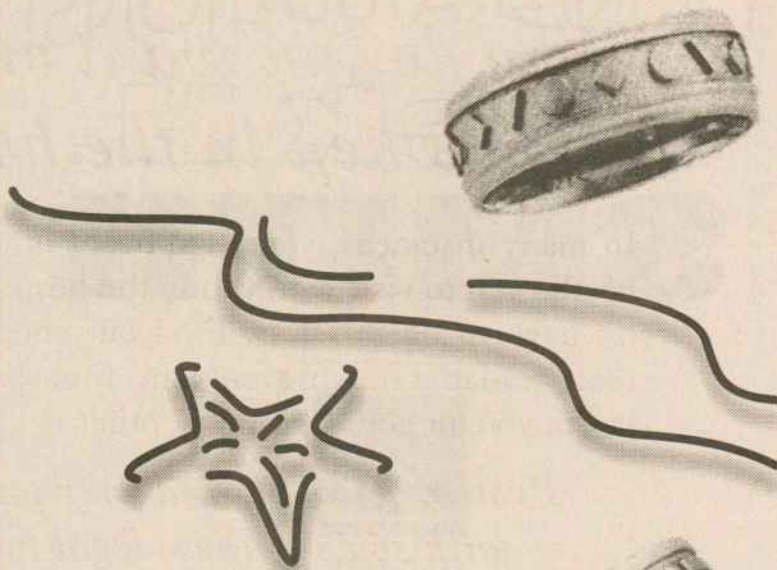
Workshop topics for 1997 include sodomy laws, marriage, fundraising, people of faith, gender identity, youth organizing, anti-violence, public speaking, workplace organizing, campus organizing and media advocacy.

"Creating Change has been the political hothouse of our movement for the past ten years," said Kerry Lobel, NGLTF executive director. "It has been the incubator of countless projects, campaigns, strategies and initiatives that help to bring our movement into the 21st century."

For more information about Creating Change visit the NGLTF website at <http://www.nglftf.org/cc97>, or call 202-332-6483 ext. 3329. The deadline for earlybird registration is September 1, 1997.



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HRL Seeks Nominations for Coming Out Day Awards

Milwaukee — The Human Rights League for Lesbians and Gays (HRL) is once again going to present the National Coming Out Day Awards, during this years Public Officials Reception; which will be held on October 9th.

These awards are designed to recognizing efforts of those who are promoting and reflecting a positive Gay/Lesbian/ Bisexual/ Transgender image through participation in our community. HRL is looking for the community to submit nominees for these awards. Nominees must be "out" and active in our community three years or less. The categories for nomination are: Individual person, Business, and Organization.

The names of nominees must be in writing; information to include the following the nominee's address and phone number, nominator's phone number, reason(s) for nomination. All nominations must be sent by September 15, 1997. Send nominations to: Human Rights League c/o Awards Committee, P.O. Box 92674, Milwaukee, WI 53202.



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Festival Brings Hope to Families Affected by HIV/AIDS

Milwaukee — The 3rd annual "Family Festival of Hope" was held at St. Camillus Campus on Sunday August 3rd. Wisconsin families affected by HIV disease were treated to a day of relaxation and recreation. 172 people, including 65 children enjoyed a summer barbecue, magic show, amusement and pony rides, story telling, games and a professional magic show.

A small army of clowns were on hand for face painting and playful antics with the young and not so young.

Food, services, prizes and gifts were contributed by 14 Milwaukee area businesses including: Lake Side School of Massage, Walgreens, Baskin Robbins, Custom Cuts, and Scribners Books.

The event was planned by staff and volunteers from St. Camillus, MAP and Children's Hospital of Wisconsin. "Many of these families receive a variety of services from the different providers, I am very pleased to be able to work together in a spirit of cooperation for the benefit of all those we seek to mutually serve," said Bro. Stephen Braddock of St. Camillus.

AIDS Walk Bar Competition Heats Up

Milwaukee — Register for AIDS Walk Wisconsin as a member of your favorite bar's Walk team and help them win the third annual gay and lesbian bar competition. Last year the friendly

competition among Milwaukee's gay and lesbian bars raised over \$20,000 with more than 500 individuals participating.

Roland Hoffmann, will be organizing the statewide bar competition for 1997's AIDS Walk Wisconsin. Hoffmann will be working closely with the bar team captains to organize their team registration through special registration nights at your favorite bars across Wisconsin.

"I look forward to this year's expanded friendly competition," said Hoffmann. "Not only will it bring the community together across the state, it is for a great cause."

Walk organizers are certain this year will be even more successful with several new bars across the state signing up for the competition. The three bars raising the most money for the 1996 Walk were M&M/\$4,701, Blue Lite/\$4,394 and Mama Roux/\$2,910. Other bars that participated last year include Club 219, Fannies, In Between, Just Us, Kathy's Nut Hut, This Is It, The Triangle and Wreck Room. This year, bars from across the state are urged to participate. Some new bars already signed on for 1997 are Geraldines/Men's Room in Madison, Ozone in Wausau and Napalese Lounge in Green Bay.

Over 5,500 people and 915 teams have already registered to participate in the eighth annual AIDS Walk Wisconsin, Sunday, September 21, beginning on the Summerfest grounds.

In addition to the prizes for individual walkers, the gay and lesbian bar competition features a grand prize of two round trip tickets to any United Airlines destination in the 48 contiguous states for the bar team member who turns in the most amount of money on September 21.

The top three teams raising the most money will be recognized, and a certificate will be awarded to the top team captain.

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Milwaukee's Gay and Lesbian Film and Video Festival to Mark 10th Anniversary

Milwaukee — Presenting two shows nightly October 2 through 4 and October 9 through 11, Milwaukee's 10th Annual Gay and Lesbian Film and Video Festival will feature the newest, hottest, and most provocative Gay and Lesbian films and videos.

Presented in cooperation with the Film Department in the School of Fine Arts at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, the Festival will feature films like John Greyson's award-winning *Lilies*, Cheryl Dunye's notorious *Watermelon Woman*, and Yvonne Rainer's *Murder*.

The Festival will also offer exceptional documentaries like Debra Chasnoff's *It's Elementary: Talking about Gay Issues in School*, Tami Gold and Kelly Anderson's *Out at Work*, and the Dorothy Allison bio *Two or Three Things But Nothing for Sure*.

And, as usual, the Festival will present popular programs of short films and videos that will include the uproarious *Karen Black Like Me*, the prize-winning *Twisted Sheets*, and *Boot Camp*, the first leather bar musical.

All Gay and Lesbian Film and Video Festival events will take place in the Union Theatre located on the second floor of the UWM Student Union at 2200 E. Kenwood Blvd. Show times nightly during the Festival at 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Tickets are \$6 for the general public and \$5 for students and seniors. Bargain passes will be available. Call Carl Bogner at (414) 229-6971 for additional information.

'97 Madison Resource Directory Published

Madison — The Madison Gay/Lesbian Resource Center (MG/LRC) released the ninth edition of *The Directory: A Guide to the Organizations Serving Madison's Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Communities*. The *Directory* contains information (including history, purpose, size, address, contact person, phone number, and/or accessibility) on nearly 100 community organizations which serve or support gays, lesbians, and bisexuals.

Publication costs for *The Directory* were underwritten by advertisements placed by over 180 businesses and professionals in Madison and the surrounding area. The *Directory* also functions as a guide to businesses which have demonstrated their support for the LGBT community.

Copies of *The Directory* are now available free of charge at the following Madison locations: A Room of One's Own, Four Star Video Heaven, Out to Lunch Cafe, Borders Book Shop, and The United. Copies will also be available at various GLB social events throughout the year. Delivery of bulk copies can also be arranged by contact MG/LRC at P.O. Box 1722, Madison, WI 53701. Individuals wishing to have a copy of *The Directory* mailed to them may do so by sending their name, address and a check for \$2.50 per copy to defray mailing costs to MG/LRC.

BreastFest '97 Fundraiser a Big Success

by Joe Mays

Food, fun, and the opportunity to raise money for a good cause were the reasons behind the BreastFest '97, held at Fannies Sunday August 10. Organized by Leslie Waltke, LAMM (Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee), and Fannies, the fest was created to help raise money for breast cancer research at brought in an estimated \$6,000 for the cause.

The block party, which head a turn out of close to five hundred people, helped to raise over six thousand dollars to fund breast cancer research. The money raised benefits the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, which is one of the largest contributors to breast cancer research.

Silent auctions, raffles, and music groups such as Fweep and Lu Shanti comprised some of the events that took place at the fund raiser.

According to Waltke, one of the major reasons the fund raiser was a success was because of the lack of administrative costs. Because everything was totally voluntary, from the availability of the music groups top the items donated for the raffles and auctions, none of the money raised had to

be partitioned to pay for any costs to maintain the festival.

Volunteers were found through friends of the planners or others who were equally interested in raising money for breast cancer research.

Expecting only 300 attenders, the BreastFest planners were excited to see nearly five hundred people attend the block party. Intent on making this an annual event, organizers hope for a larger showing and more events for next year's block party.

Madison Area LGBT Business Alliance Launch Website

Madison — The Madison Area Lesbian/Gay/Bi Business Alliance launched its presence on the World Wide Web recently. The site is located at www.lgballiance.org and includes listings of the LGB Business Alliance member businesses, descriptions of each business, a monthly community calendar, employment opportunity postings, and links to other LGB informational sites.

The site has been designed with cooperation of Business Alliance member Look Here Unlimited, recently awarded "Best of Madison for Web Design" by *Madison Magazine*.

The L/G/B Business Alliance was formed in 1995 to support LGBT business owners and professional within the community. Current membership is in excess of 100 business and individual memberships.

For more information on the L/G/B Business Alliance contact: Darren Kittleson, President, L/G/B Business Alliance at (608) 277-2782 or darren@sterlingbuilders.com.

Fall Season for Monday Night Bowling League

Milwaukee — The Monday Night Gay and Lesbian Bowling League will be starting their fall season very soon.

This league is a great opportunity to have fun, meet new people, make new friends, and of course, improve your bowling skills.

Anyone interested is invited to attend the informational meeting on Monday, August 25, 1997 at 7:00 P.M. at Landmark Lanes (2220 N. Farwell Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53202 (414) 278-8770).

In addition to the basic information, you will be treated to free bowling at the lanes. The fall league will consist of four person teams bowling during a 26 week season. The bowling season begins on Monday, September 8, 1997.

If you have any questions, please contact the league secretary, Doug Cleveland at 291-0636.

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OPINION



TRIBAL TALK

by Ron Geiman

Will wonders never cease? The August 17th Sunday Milwaukee *Journal Sentinel* reported the fundraising statements for the candidates out to replace retiring 2nd District US Congressman Scott Klug. It shows our Tammy Baldwin at the top of the heap, out-pacing her nearest competitor by about \$20,000.

What amazed me, though, was that the writer was astute enough *not* to mention that Tammy was "the lesbian candidate," unlike nearly all other news coverage. Her closest Democratic competitors are heterosexual former Dane County Exec. Rick Phelps, and trailing him is heterosexual State Senator Joe "I Hate Baseball" Joe Weinecke. The heterosexual Republicans are even further behind. Of course, money raised at this point can be quickly overcome, and money isn't everything. If we want Tammy elected, it's going to take lots of hard work, too.

Just got home from a lovely party celebrating the birthdays of Ross Draegert, Tony Rhodes, Scott Munoz and Juan Rodriguez. Talk about a Pride of Lions (Leo's)! Once again Ross, and his partner Robert Starshak opened their wonderfully warm and stunning Lake Michigan, bluff-top home for the soiree. It drizzled all Sunday afternoon, so the croquet and volleyball areas of the grounds stood silent, and the nearly 100 guests were 'forced' inside. The home is so spacious and comfortable that it didn't seem crowded at all.

Tony flitted from room to room ringing a little crystal bell to announce dinner was served (and I heard Robert warmly warn him that the bell *was* Waterford). Paul Milakovich and his dad roasted a pig and served over 60 lbs of solid pork, in addition to dozens of chickens, and some sausages. Paul's mom was a hoot and I heard her comment, "I just love your parties!" The pork and sausages were wiped out, and hunks of left over chicken were sent home with many who no longer were — chicken that is — the crowd was predominately 30's to early 50's.

It was a great mix of friends and family; professionals, executives, blue collars and the whole gamut, and everyone meshed together just fine, thank you!

Thanks, gentlemen, and don't worry about getting another year older ... this Virgo turns 46 next week.



It was interesting to see all the letters printed in the August 14th *Shepard Express* alternative weekly responding to Will Fellows' "Uncommon Lives" gay issues column that ran July 31st. Will wrote about his partner and his decision to move to New Berlin after being harassed by a few of their Washington Heights neighbors. Gay and straight members of the Washington Heights Neighborhood Association and the

off-shoot Rainbow Heights sub-group rallied to the areas defense.

There are pockets of lesbigay neighborhoods through out Milwaukee: Sherman Park and Riverwest also have rainbow groups. Many other neighborhoods are not gay-organized, but are heavily populated by our tribe: my neighborhood, Old Concordia, Cold Spring Park, Bay View, Brewer's Hill, Downtown, Third Ward and Walker's Point. Contrary to some peoples mind sets, we don't all live east of the Milwaukee River, north of Mason Street to UWM.

Milwaukee does not have a gay ghetto. A true gay ghetto is nightlife, shopping and housing all in one easily defined area, i.e. Chicago's "boystown" (N. Halsted/Broadway). Gay Milwaukee has never had, and will never see, a dense gay ghetto.

Let Will and his mate live in the un-cultured western burbs... it's their choice, but give me a variety of city neighborhoods, anytime.



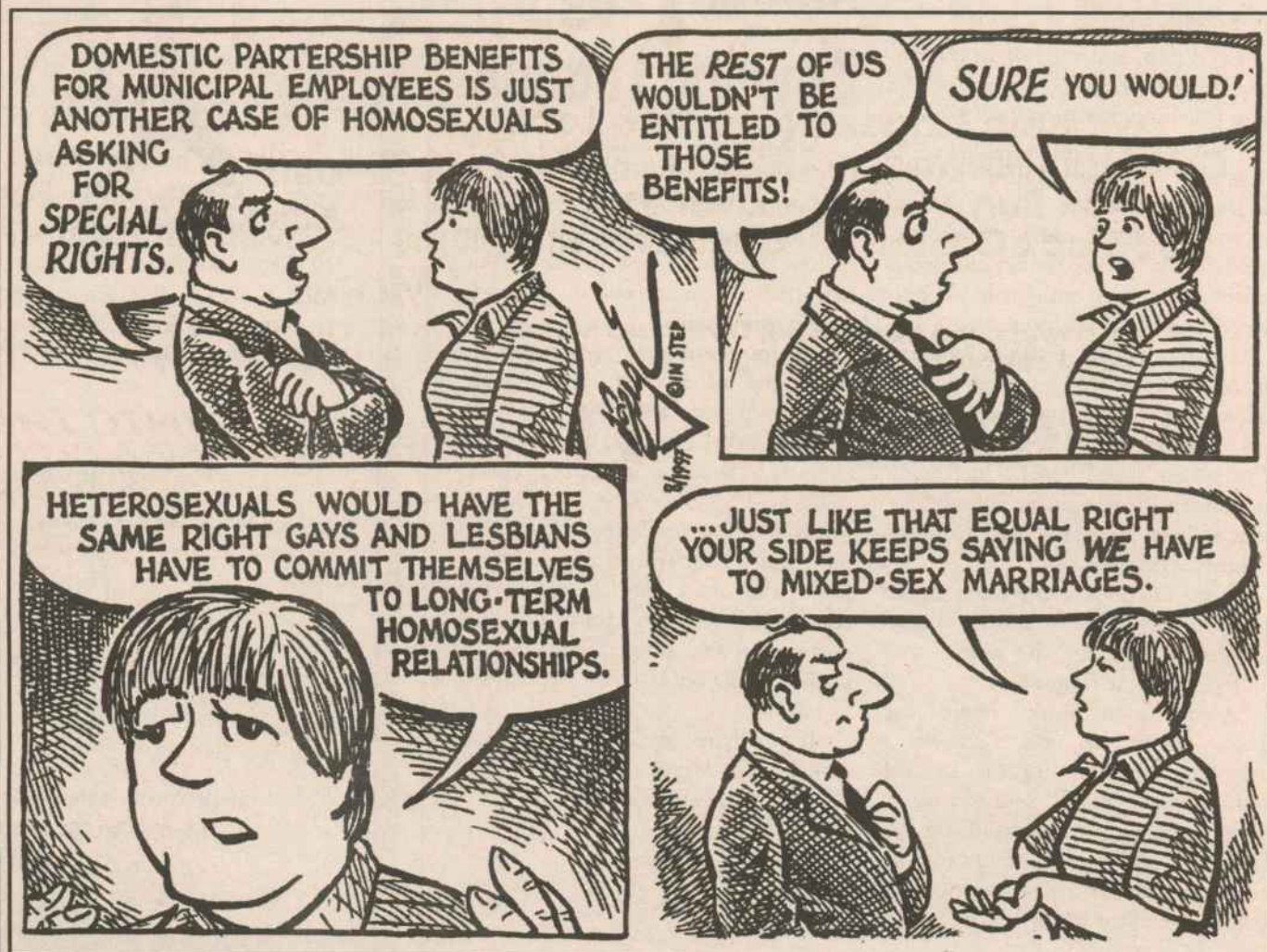
Not pooped from the busy lesbigay summer festivities? Even if you are, the upcoming Labor Day Weekend will certainly do the job! It will also be a great outdoor (less clothing) opportunity to find large numbers of potential partners to settle in with for the upcoming indoor party season.

Green Bay/Fox Valley Area kicks off its Rainbow Over Wisconsin (ROW) Pride Weekend 2 p.m. Saturday, August 30th with a fun 9-pin tap bowling tourney at GB's Riviera Lanes. You can register until 1 p.m. Sunday is the Pride Picnic/Barn Party. (I remember them from the old 1101 West days!) The picnic outgrew the park it used to be held at in Green Bay. The location is N8287 Hwy. 57, in Forest Junction. Because there will be alcohol available, you must be 21 to enter the grounds. There will be lots of food, games, dunk tank, live entertainment and dancing.

Superior Pride The Duluth/Superior 'Twin Ports' area in the far northwest corner of the state celebrates the entire weekend. Friday the 29th is the traditional Wisconsin Point Beach bonfire, and button night at JT's (1506 N 3rd, Superior).

Saturday, the 'Walk With Pride' will be held at 11a.m. on Duluth's lakefront boardwalk kicking off from Canal Park. The Pride Parade ends at Lief Erickson Park where the Pride Festival is being held. Entertainment, speakers, food, drink, merchandise and information booths will help provide the festivities.

Sunday is the annual 'Fruit Float' Pride Harbor Cruise. The Vista King charter boat will leave their docks at 3 p.m. for a two hour cruise. A buffet dinner will be served on board,



with tickets \$12 in advance, \$15 dockside. For cruise tickets and more info call Kirk at (218)728-4396. Trio Bar (820 Tower Ave, Superior) will host a post cruise Pride BBQ from 5-8 p.m. At 9 p.m. the resurrected Main Club (now at 1217 Tower Ave, Superior) hosts an AIDS charities benefit fundraiser with performances by the Triangle of Hope Players and other performers, plus an auction/raffle.

Milwaukee 1 The Saturday Softball League plays host to the Midwest Invitational Softball Tournament (MIST) for the first time ever Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 30th-31st. Midwest cities host this tourney in alternate years, and now it comes to the Grand-daddy city of Gay Softball, Milwaukee. Numerous cities throughout the country have gotten on the gay softball tournament bandwagon, especially on holiday weekends. Travel can be quite expensive. Keeping it regional, travel costs are cut down, and MIST is run as each city sees fit. Once again, good ole' Miller Brewery and the Cream City Foundation provided funds enabling Milwaukee to play the grand host it always is. (By the way, ask some of the out-of-towners what they think of our fair city and I think you'll be pleasantly surprised by their positive response. People who live here don't realize how good we've got it! We've got to be better ambassadors for our city and state.)

Milwaukee 2 For the first time, gay bars La Cage and Zippers, will join six straight bars that same Saturday and Sunday for huge block parties. This year, in addition to National being blocked off from 1st to 2nd, 2nd will also be blocked off from National to Walker. The two gay bars will have food and shot stands set up and the party continues from 3 p.m. until near bar time both days. Lots of entertainment including The Love Monkeys and several other bands... should be quite interesting.

Milwaukee 3 Also on Sunday, August 31st, just three blocks south and a block east of 1st, Fannie's sponsors the annual LINKS Block Party, a fundraiser for both AIDS and Breast Cancer charities. Nationally known Tina and the B-Side Movement (they did a hot gig at Summerfest this year) and the Milwaukee's own darling duo Mrs. Fun. Again, Miller Brewing is a sponsor of the event which includes food booths, beer, merchandise and information booths. Sharon Dixon (aka Fannie, herself) also promises entertainment by the La Cage girls, alt-rock band FWEEP, the Martins, songstress Jill Clarke (from the Valley), Lu Shanti, Venus and others. If you can get through even half of those events, it will be a laborious Labor Day Weekend, indeed!



By now, most of you have probably heard about Kevin Rotar's presumed drowning. There have been lots of rumors, but if you want the facts, read Bill's news article in this issue on page 5. Unfortunately, I was one of the eight on board and saw the whole heart-wrenching debacle occur. All over a damn freebie baseball cap! We repeatedly warned him of cold water, currents and unknowns, but Kevin had a mind of his own, and now he is gone and we all mourn him. You had to be there. My deepest sympathies to his partner Ricky (Mercedes) and Kevin's family. Any memorial service is being put off until his body is recovered, and closure can be achieved.

Letters

Stand for Tolerance Costs Pastor Job

Dear Editor:

When the Wisconsin State Assembly considered a bill banning same-sex marriage in Wisconsin, over 60 members of the clergy signed a statement supporting tolerance for gays in conjunction with efforts to defeat the bill.

It now appears that standing up for tolerance might have cost one minister a job.

Shortly after the clergy issued their call for tolerance, Ralph Ovadal's Wisconsin Christians United began its "Expose the Wolf" campaign. Pastors who signed the tolerance declaration were declared "wolves in sheep's clothing" who had to be exposed. Although some of the signing pastors didn't list their religious affiliations, Ovadal used his "intelligence sources" to track them down so he could expose them.

Since starting operation, "Expose the Wolf" has dropped literature at homes in the districts of eleven of the signers of the tolerance declaration. In Windsor, Wisconsin, Ovadal's effort seems to have cost a pastor her job.

The pastor and the church involved were not named by Ovadal, but he said, "In Windsor, Wisconsin, we exposed the wolf who was about to begin taking up the job of pastor in a church in that town." He says that a woman in the church called him and thanked him for the literature he dropped "exposing" the pastor. "We did not want a person like this in our church as a pastor," she told him. "Our moderator is already moving to take of this situation."

Ovadal hopes the incident will have a chilling effect on Wisconsin clergy. He said, "I wonder how many pastors are going to want to sign these sort [sic] of stands for wickedness if they know the people in their own home towns and their own parishes will understand and be appraised of what they've done."

Al Geiersbach,
Milwaukee

Remembering Kevin Rotar

Dear Editor:

I was saddened to hear of Kevin Rotar being lost to Lake Michigan. In knowing Kevin over the years, I know this community will mourn his passing. We have lost a good man.

After talking with a member of Kevin's family and offering them support through my association, both my self, the association and Kevin's family hope to signify that everyone take safety and boating on Lake Michigan, or any water recreation more seriously.

The Great Lakes Marine and Maritime Association (formerly known as the Greater Milwaukee Maritime Association) is always available to help this community and family who has lost a member at Sea.

Brian Marker,
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Anti-Gay Attacks Targeting Lesbian, Gay Businesses

Analysis by Keith Clark
of the In Step Staff

Anti-gay attacks continue to rise around the country — both in numbers and intensity — even though violence in the nation has finally begun to decrease slightly. And even though anti-violence organizations in cities around the country report, sometimes in grim and heartbreaking accounts, on attacks, bashings and even murders of lesbians and gay men each year, little attention is usually paid to attacks aimed at gay and

two people and injured more than 100 others. Although several women were injured in the explosion at the Otherside Lounge, there were no fatalities.

After the bar bombing, several news agencies in Atlanta received copies of a letter claiming responsibility for both the clinic and Otherside Lounge bombings from an anonymous source claiming to represent a far-right fringe group known as the Army of God threatening to “target sodomites, their organizations, and those who push their agenda.”

Whether or not there is any connection, rights activists in Washington, D.C., and California reported

was a bust, but even so, the already financially troubled paper suspended publication for nearly a month shortly thereafter.

And there have been a number of other attacks aimed at institutions more than at individuals in the recent past as well.

In 1996 the Back Door in Lancaster, Calif., was bombed. Although there were no fatalities in the explosion, a few bar patrons were injured in the blast.

Earlier this year, Penn State University officials launched an investigation after reports of students using the school's electronic mail (e-mail) system to send messages pledging “ten anti-fag bucks per semester ... for things like a trip to New York to do some serious gay bashing or gay club bombings.”

Sometimes even non-gay institutions get targeted for hate threats. Last year when court hearings in the complex legal fight in Hawaii over whether or not same-sex couples can marry in the state had to be delayed when the courthouse holding the hearings was the target of a bomb scare.

Similarly, last fall the Tampa, Fla., convention center had to be evacuated after authorities received a bomb threat while a black-tie AIDS charity fundraiser was going on.

And three years ago, WTCI-TV, the Chattanooga, Tenn., Public Broadcasting Service station, canceled its airing of Armistead Maupin's “Tales of the City” after it received a bomb threat just an hour before the program was slated to run.

That same year, federal officials finally began investigating after months of threats, tense confrontations and attacks — including a bombing — against Camp Sister Spirit, a feminist retreat run by two open lesbians near Ovet, Miss.

There's also apparently nothing too trivial or too abstract about gay and lesbian visibility to avoid being targeted. A few years ago, small highway road signs in North Carolina indicating that a gay group was working on a stretch of the roadside to keep it clean were repeatedly vandalized. In San Jose, Calif., a billboard sponsored by the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation on a building in the downtown shopping area had to be covered up after several businesses located in the building received telephoned bomb threats. And at Stanford University, a group of star athletes at the school spattered with paint and battering the \$400,000 outdoor statue, “Gay Liberation” by the noted sculptor George Segal during a drunken rampage.

A few far-right religious zealots have even managed to turn their homophobia into something of a “cottage industry.” Fred Phelps, who runs a sect-like group known as the Westboro Baptist Church in Topeka, Kan., has turned “God Hates Fags” into something of

The front of the bookstore Brother's Touch and an adjacent shop that had until recently housed a gay restaurant were spray-painted with the message: “KKK 187 Fags.” The number 187 is the police radio-call code to report a murder.

lesbians businesses and organizations themselves.

In early August, vandals spray-painted death threats across two storefronts in Minneapolis where gay-identified businesses are or had been located. The front of the bookstore Brother's Touch and an adjacent shop that had until recently housed a gay restaurant were spray-painted with the message: “KKK 187 Fags.” The number 187 is the police radio-call code to report a murder, and police in Minneapolis say they're treating the graffiti as a hate-motivated death threat.

The threatening vandalism at Brother's Touch was shocking in part because of the general reputation of the Minneapolis-St. Paul area as a bastion of liberalism. But it was also somewhat surprising simply because many gay businesses themselves often don't report such incidents. With somewhat understandable concern, business owners worry that being targeted for any such threats could drive away fearful customers.

The month before, Remington's, a popular country-western bar in Washington, D.C., was the object of an attack when someone set off a tear-gas canister in the club during a crowded weekend night. No one was seriously injured, but the entire bar had to be evacuated of course. Earlier this year, a small bar in a rural town near Pittsburg, Pa., was targeted by repeated leaflets and graffiti in an effort by anonymous residents to get the club shut down.

No one knows for sure whether such targeting of gay and lesbian institutions is on the increase or not. Aside from a general feeling that many such “low-level” vandalism gets wiped away as quickly as possible and goes entirely unreported, the dozen or so anti-violence organizations that monitor anti-gay attacks also don't categorize violence based on whether it is aimed at individuals or at businesses.

Jennifer Rakowski, of the San Francisco-based Community United Against Violence (CUAV), said the agency doesn't identify attacks aimed at institutions or groups, although of course the agency records such attacks in its annual reports. Even so, Rakowski said CUAV receives reports of vandalism, graffiti scrawls and other attacks against gay and lesbian-run businesses and groups “probably every month or so.”

Probably the most-publicized such attack took place in February of this year when someone set off a bomb inside the Otherside Lounge, a popular lesbian club in Atlanta. Federal investigators later said they were convinced that the bombing of the Otherside Lounge and an abortion clinic earlier in the year were both linked to the explosion that took place at the Centennial Olympic Park during the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta that caused the death of

that the Christian Defense Coalition, one of the most militant fundamentalist organizations in the U.S., had launched something called the “Joshua Project” in a



series of closed-door meetings to map out strategies for derailing the gay rights movement.

Little is known about either the Joshua Project or the Army of God — including whether the two groups are even connected. But rights activists said that the Joshua Project was being headed up by Pat Mahoney, a Catholic priest and a key player in Randall Terry's anti-abortion group Operation Rescue.

Some rights activists in fact believe the far right has

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begun to use the sort of “political terrorism” adopted in the anti-abortion fight against gay and lesbian groups, businesses and institutions — as well as against individuals.

Last year, the local leader of the American Family Association in Austin, Texas, used his weekly radio program to call for a boycott of businesses that advertised in the *Texas Triangle*, a weekly gay paper. Kay Longcope, the *Triangle* editor, said the boycott effort

a far-right cliché, even operating an Internet site with that name. But aside from showing up at funerals with his small rag-tag band of followers carrying their “God Hates Fags” signs and generating publicity for himself, nothing Phelps has done otherwise would make him in the least notable.

Similarly, the loose confederation of individuals around the country known as the American Family Association, run by Donald Wildmon who likes to describe his group as a “Pervert Patrol,” seems remark-

ably unnoteworthy except for its eagerness to be offended by anything on TV more realistic than "Leave It To Beaver."

Despite the often absurd nature of some of the far right's best known homophobes, however, anti-gay violence remains frighteningly real, consistently on the rise, and increasingly more savage. It may also be that attacks targeting gay businesses, bars, churches, rights organizations, and other groups may be on the increase as well around the country.

Whether the attacks on businesses and other institutions are increasing or not, and regardless of whether they're being perpetrated by right-wing fringe groups or by individuals, the problems are the same.

Bars, bookstores, newspapers and other high-visibility businesses in the gay community are extremely vulnerable to attacks and intimidation. Attendance at Atlanta's Otherside Lounge still is lower than normal

six months after the bomb explosion there. In Portland, Ore., a gay gift shop closed down in 1992 when the owner said repeated graffiti targeting his store and continued telephone harassment forced two of his employees to quit during a nasty statewide anti-gay ballot initiative there.

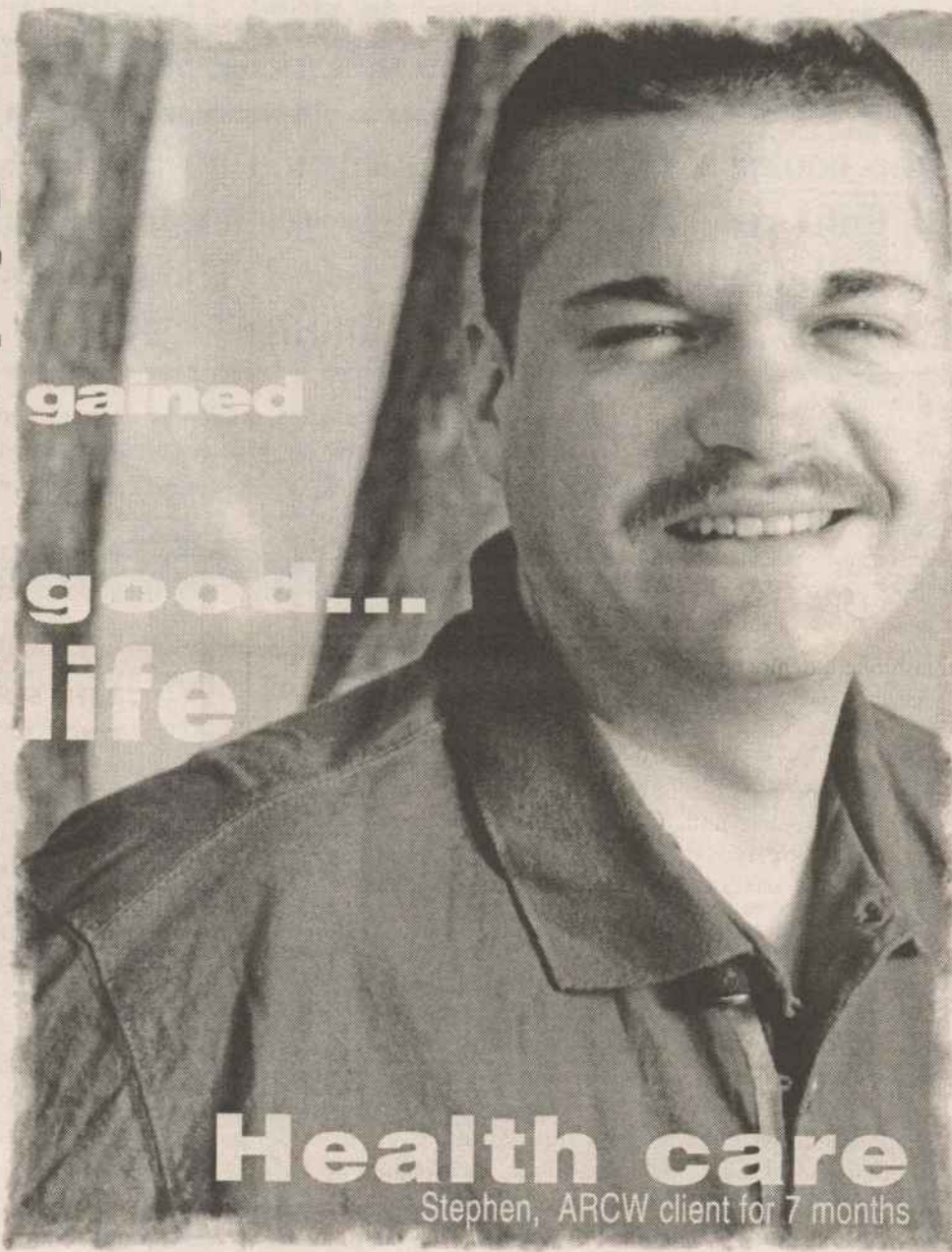
But Harvey Hertz, the owner of Brother's Touch in Minneapolis, took a more defiant stand and said he was leaving the death threat spray painted on the front of his shop up for several days to let the community know that anti-gay attacks hit everywhere and to show the perpetrators know he wasn't going to be cowed by the threats. "That's the whole purpose of these groups and that's how they operate," Hertz said, "To try and get you scared enough to disappear and become invisible again. I'm not going anyplace and people better get used to it."

Whether the defiant stand Hertz has taken will

rally the community to the support of his bookstore or not remains to be seen. But businesses, bars, community newspapers and other groups around the country that seem more and more often to be targets of anti-gay attacks will increasingly have to figure out how best to deal with them in ways that keep the businesses alive and assure the safety of customers and employees as well.

And ultimately, of course, gays and lesbians everywhere have to decide how they will respond if one of their local businesses or institutions is the target of an anti-gay attack.

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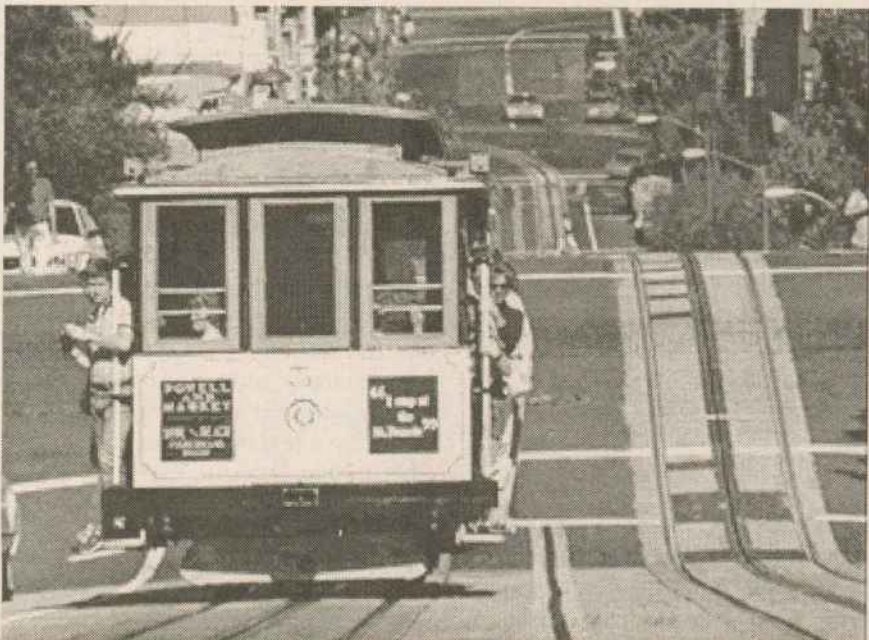
Home Away From Home in the Castro

by Wayne Hoffman
In Step Contributing Writer

These days, nearly every major city has its central gay neighborhood: Chicago's Boys Town, New York's Chelsea, Miami's South Beach. But there's still one that stands head, shoulders, and moustache above the rest: San Francisco's Castro.

Other gay neighborhoods are bigger, or more crowded, or sleazier. But the Castro is perhaps the only urban neighborhood in America where it's possible to stroll for days without ever encountering a straight person. It's a commercial center, an entertainment center, and a residential center — and it's not just predominantly gay, it's almost exclusively gay.

The Castro is different in other important ways, too. Instead of the gym-pumped muscle boys who tend to dominate many urban meccas, the Castro



attracts a more old fashioned, democratic, and inclusive crowd. The archetypical Castro clone still predominates — a forty-something white man with a bushy moustache and faded 501s — but there is increasing variety in the neighborhood's demographics: there's a sizeable lesbian contingent (by day more than night), a growing number of people of color (by night more than day), and an age range from high school to seniors along Castro Street. While there are plenty of gay people in most neighborhoods in San Francisco, and many other areas gay people call home, the Castro serves as a sort of central gathering place where everyone comes together.

Many gay tourists also find that wherever they stay or sightsee in San Francisco, they keep returning to the Castro. Longtime visitors might notice that it's become more commercialized in recent years; chain stores have moved in, and the street sometimes merchandises itself as a product or tourist attraction. But the real attraction in the Castro is the people — friendly, outgoing, and relaxed — and the people are as wonderful as ever.

For an urban neighborhood, the Castro has a small-town feel about it in many ways. The shopkeepers seem to know all the patrons, and everyone on the street seems to know everyone else. But even with such a tight-knit social network, newcomers and tourists are welcomed with the same warmth and ease. Vacationers quickly feel like residents; within a day or two, the local merchants remember how new customers like their coffee, and new acquaintances start up conversations like old friends on the sidewalks.

The sidewalks are the heart of the Castro, and that's where most people spend their time. Since the main strip of Castro Street runs only from 17th to 19th Street, it doesn't take long to get from one end to the other. What makes the walk enjoyable is a leisurely pace, further broken up by window-shopping, chatting, people-watching, and a couple of stops for coffee or a nosh. Often, visitors and residents just walk up and down these couple of blocks, stopping to look at the club gear at Rolo, or the books in A Different Light, or the queer knick-knacks in Headlines. The top of the Castro continues down Market Street toward downtown, where people dodge streetcars to browse through obscure and campy CDs at Medium Rare Records, try on chaps at Image Leather, or search for lesbian love among the produce at the Harvest Ranch Market. Strolling the Castro — with detours onto the quieter side streets, or into adjacent neighborhoods — is perhaps the top attraction for gay visitors, and walking just these few blocks can be a full day's recreation.

In the evening, most folks check out one of the neighborhood's restaurants. San Francisco is a wonderful town for eating, and the Castro has traditionally lagged behind other neighborhoods in this area. A walk through the neighboring Mission, for instance, will reveal more interesting and cheaper restaurants. There are, however, still enough places to get a decent meal — along with a bit of low-key cruising — in the Castro, and prices and crowds are rarely prohibitive.

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The two essential eateries in the Castro, however, aren't really places to eat. Cafe Flore is perhaps the ultimate meeting place for gay locals. A couple blocks off Castro Street, Flore is famous for its casually cruisy atmosphere and sunny outdoor seating; most folks sip coffee or juice, since the food is overpriced and nothing special. Right in the middle of everything — at 18th and Castro — is Pasqua, a coffee bar that seems to attract every single gay man in San Francisco every single day. The crowds — more laid-back and gregarious than at Flore — spill out onto 18th Street, where men gather from morning til night, and passers-by are stopped by friends and invited to join in the fun. The sidewalk outside Pasqua is like an open-air, all-day carnival, where the main attractions are the other customers.

With so much social interaction available in other venues, the bar scene isn't exactly revolutionary in the Castro. South of Market is where the really daring bars, scary dives, lesbian hangouts, and creative clubs can be found; leathermen, bears, and the multiply pierced prefer that scene. But the Castro bars are surprisingly varied.

The Cafe attracts a young crowd of men and women for dancing and scoping the pedestrians from its second-story balcony. The only bar with a better view is Twin Peaks, which draws a much older group of men for quiet shmoozing and cruising through its magnificent wall of windows. There are several variations on the standard cruise bar: Daddy's, for forty-something men with facial hair, and their admirers;

Miss Betty Pearl Dishes The Castro

by Wayne Hoffman

Miss Betty Pearl knows all the dirt, and she's more than willing to dish. As author of *Betty and Pansy's Severe Queer Review of San Francisco* (Cleis, \$10.95), this drag travel diva knows the Castro like the back of her own handbag. A longtime resident, Betty lived in the middle of it all, at 18th and Castro. And in her expert opinion, there's much more to the Castro than meets the eye.

"When I first visited, I thought the Castro was some huge neighborhood, but I walked up and down in about an hour, and I thought, 'That's it? It's two blocks!'" she remembers. "But what you don't realize when you're a tourist is how most of the good stuff is hidden, all the things that the tour books aren't going to tell you about. Well, maybe mine."

The best place to hide from friends and enemies? Upstairs at Twin Peaks, in the secluded balcony overlooking the sidewalk. The best place to cruise? The seemingly uninteresting parking lot behind the Castro Theater, which gets truly interesting after the bars close at 2:00 a.m.

Scariest place for a late-night snack? The Rolling Pin, where the bold, the drunk, and the slightly deranged collide over doughnuts. Betty is full of helpful hints for travelers.

The *Severe Queer Review*, now in its fifth edition, is a candid, campy, only slightly jaded rundown of every venue a gay man or lesbian might want to see in San Francisco. Personal tales of nicotine-stained adventures in classy joints and sleazy dives make this tour guide the best and most fearless gay travel guide available (the New York version is similarly delightful). No bar, restaurant, sex club, hotel, or store escapes Betty's dead-on critiques.

While other neighborhoods intrigue Betty, the Castro holds a special place in her heart.

"You can spend three or four days before you even bump into a straight person," she says. "Straight people

infest a lot of the other neighborhoods, but the Castro is really concentrated fagginess."

While the Castro has remained the focal gay neighborhood for two decades—a long stretch—it has certainly changed. Chain stores like the Body Shop and Walgreen's have moved in, and many local gay businesses have gone under. It's more tourist-oriented and commercial than ever. But one thing that hasn't changed are the butch Castro clones who line the sidewalks.

"San Francisco is still cloney, where much of the gay culture in the US has shifted to muscle boys who are plucked and waxed," says Betty.

"There are tons of those people, but the people that really populate, live in, and shop in the Castro are clones and freaks, grandma lezzies, baby dykes, and lots of other people. The muscle boys are there, but they don't rule."

Betty gets a bit misty discussing the Castro these days, since she recently moved to New York City. While she's settled in nicely back on the east coast — she's originally from rural Maine, self-proclaimed trailer trash — she says there's no place else like the Castro.

"I really miss seeing freaks by day. In New York you see freaks by night. But in San Francisco, there are 24-hour drag queens, or Radical Faeries, or tag-team truckdriver dykes pushing their baby in their Aprica carriage, or fags walking around in sundresses and sandals," she says. "I could go to the grocery store there and see full-on drag queens and leather freaks with chaps with their butts hanging out, picking out potato chips and cheese. At the time it sort of bothered me, but now I miss it."

Perhaps she'll return to San Francisco when she retires; it seems like a much easier place to grow old than New York, she says; it's just a comfortable place to live and be queer. Tourists often don't fully grasp this, she says. Sometimes visitors from other cities don't quite understand that for residents, Castro life isn't a vacation but a full-time way of life.

"As a tourist, people think, 'Well, you can't really live like this, it's like a gay Disneyland.' People say it's not reality," she says. "Well, it can be."

TRAVEL

Detour, for younger guys on the prowl; Pendulum, the only Castro venue with a mostly black crowd; and Badlands, with just a hint of southwestern flair. There are a few more bars with no particular niche — The Edge, Castro Station, Midnight Sun — that pull in customers due mostly to their location. While most bars target a certain type of customer, they're all largely inclusive. Often the most interesting scene can be found on the sidewalk, though, so strolling from one bar to the next is commonplace in the neighborhood.

While trendy Victorian guesthouses and luxury hotels are scattered around the city, the Castro also offers a few options for lodging. Beck's Motor Lodge is the largest choice; a fairly inexpensive motel, Beck's is almost entirely gay and can get a shade or two friskier than a typical Super 8. For the truly randy visitor, the Black Stallion Inn offers respectable accommodations at a reasonable price, and guests — mostly leather/Levi crowds — get free admission to the nightly sex club operating downstairs. For those seeking a quieter home, the lovely Inn on Castro — the nicest of the guesthouses — is relaxing, but still just steps from all the action. Lesbians have a good option nearby, too: House O' Chicks is an affordable bed and breakfast only a couple blocks away.

Wherever tourists stay when they visit, though, the Castro is special, a mecca. San Francisco as a whole is a welcoming destination for gay and lesbian travelers, and visitors should take advantage of the diverse offerings available in all of the city's neighborhoods. But the Castro is a neighborhood so instantly loveable that it becomes less a place to visit and more a home away from home.

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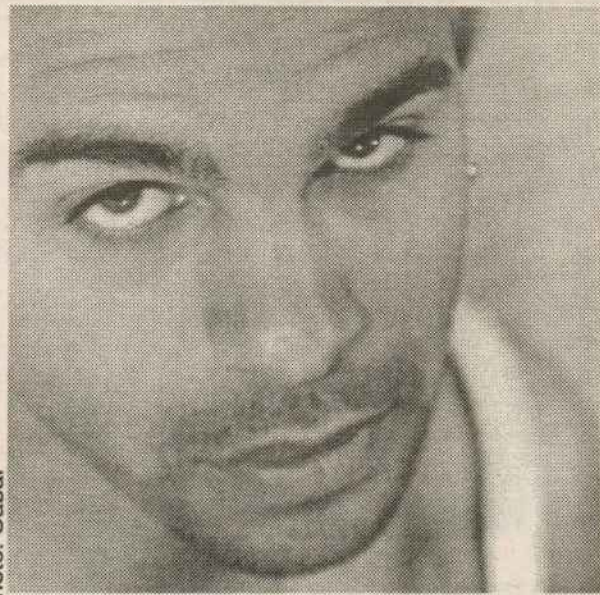


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Madison — The cast and crew of Madison Repertory Theatre's production of "Dames at Sea" are donating their services for one special performance to raise funds for two AIDS charities. All proceeds from the benefit will be divided between two AIDS related charities: the STD Specialties Clinic in Milwaukee and the AIDS Network in Madison.

The STD Specialties Clinic, Inc. in Milwaukee is a not-for-profit community based clinic dedicated to providing health care services with an emphasis on selected infectious diseases, including HIV, to any person without discrimination. Recognizing the sacredness of life and the dignity and worth of every person, the clinic strives to provide each client with sensitive, holistic, discrete, and non-judgmental quality care. Services are provided at our clinic and to the disenfranchised, through community outreach, in a cooperative manner.

Since 1985, AIDS Network (formerly the Madison AIDS Support Network) has provided critical AIDS care and prevention services to south central Wisconsin. Client services provide case management services for people living with HIV and AIDS and to their families. Programs address the medical, emotional, legal, and social service needs commonly associated with HIV/AIDS. Clients receiving case management and other program participants benefit from a range of services including volunteer resources, emergency financial assistance, transportation, mental health and

support groups, early intervention, legal assistance, information and referral, and housing assistance. All assistance is provided free of charge.

The benefit performance is scheduled for Sunday, August 24th at 2 p.m. in the Isthmus Playhouse of the Madison Civic Center, 211 State Street. Tickets are \$25 per person and include a light reception at the White Horse Inn after the show. Seating is general admission and all tickets can be purchased at the Civic Center Ticket Office. For more information call (608) 266-9055.

DV8 Records and Paramount Pictures Score a Hit with "Kiss Me, Guido"

Los Angeles — "Kiss Me, Guido," the Paramount Pictures release directed by Tony Vitale; and starring Nick Scotti and Anthony Barrile, opened the first week in Los Angeles, New York, and San Francisco entering on Billboard's Film Box office report for the weekend of July 18-20. The film, a favorite at Sundance last year, is set to open in fourteen additional cities within the next three weeks. DV8's "Kiss Me, Guido" soundtrack is a mixture of new and classic dance songs, which complement the movie's content and helps set the mood of the film. "Kiss Me, Guido" the soundtrack, will be available in stores across the country on September 9th.

"Stand Up" by DV8's Love Tribe is the first single, which went to #1 on the Billboard Dance/Club Chart. A double 12" of Love Tribe and Panic Patrol remixes will be serviced in mid-August. The full soundtrack

release will also contain new tracks by Panic Patrol, 3rd Party, Martha Wash, Nick Scotti and Love Tribe, along side such classic dance tracks by Machine, La Flavour, Miguel Brown, Edwin Starr, Carol Jiani, The Gap Band, and Gloria Gaynor.

Another highlight on "Kiss Me, Guido" is the runaway hit "Can U Feel It" from New York's own, 3rd Party. "Can U Feel It" has sold over 160,000 singles and has been embraced by CHR radio stations nationwide. The *New York Post* raved that "Can U Feel It" has replaced the "Macarena" at baseball parks with the Brewers, Mets, Giants, Phillies and the Braves all adding the single to their musical lineups. They most recently performed their hit single on "Regis and Kathie Lee", "The Today Show," "Fox News Channel" and "Rupaul."

Lead actor Nick Scotti will also contribute "I'm Gonna Shout" the only song recorded by a cast member. Scotti is well known for his time spent on the soap opera, "The Young and the Restless," as well as being a Madonna video hunk.

In the comedy "Kiss Me, Guido," aspiring actor Frankie Zito (Nick Scotti) answers a newspaper ad for a GWM roommate, thinking it means "guy with money." His new "roomie" (Anthony Barrile), on the other hand, is more interested in a "gay white male." It's a collision of two cultures as Frankie, a straight Italian-American, and Warren, a gay actor and choreographer, try to come to terms with each other in ways that are both funny and affecting.

New Prints From the Studio of Douglas Simonson

Hawaii — The view from Douglas Simonson's Honolulu penthouse is spectacular, including Diamond Head, Waikiki Beach, and the blue-green Pacific Ocean. One wonders how he manages to get any work done with one of the world's great views to distract him every day. But work he does, as his latest offering of limited-edition prints attest.



— Artist Douglas Simonson.

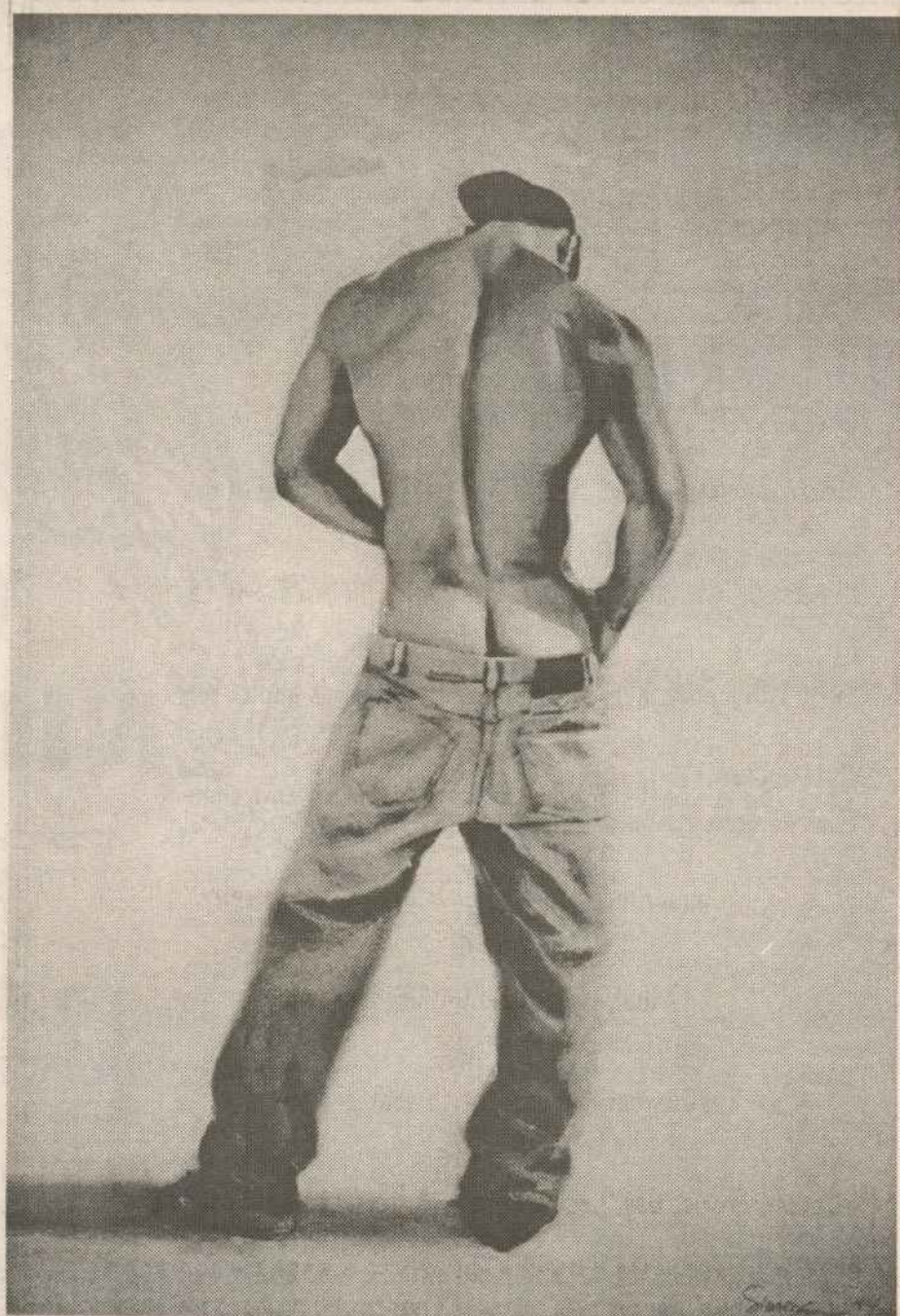
Four particularly beautiful examples of Simonson's art make their debut this month. The largest of the four prints, "White Cap," is a full-color image with a provocative subject. A muscular young man, seen from the rear, wears a white baseball cap and a pair of faded bluejeans, riding breathtakingly low.

"Cooling Off," also a color print, is completely different, featuring an exuberant, laughing in bright sunlight, young man. It's a colorful, energetic work that makes you smile.

Smallest of the four prints is "Big Hello," a quiet but strong drawing where Simonson's trademark pencil work brings to life a handsome young man who is unashamedly nude.

And "Treetops," also from a pencil drawing, is a tropical fantasy with an exotically beautiful nude sprawled across a tile floor in late-afternoon sunlight. Behind him, crisply detailed palm trees move in the breeze.

These four new limited-edition prints bring to forty-five the number of prints now offered in the Simonson studio. That's in addition to over one hundred original works available from the studio at any given time. To see more of Simonson's work, contact the artist directly or visit the Simonson online gallery on the Internet at <http://www.dougllassimonson.com>. For additional information on the above mentioned prints or other of Simonson's work call (808) 737-6275.



— The name of this drawing by artist Douglas Simonson is "White Cap."

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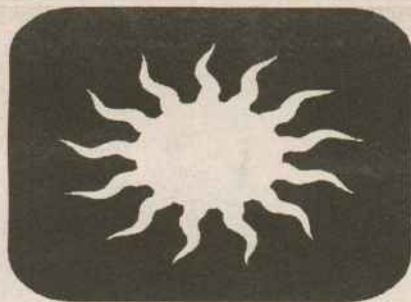
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The talented cast of Lucas's "Blue Window," includes Ann Marie Gay, Scott Howland, Robert Kennedy, Laura Neuser, Tara McAllister-Veil, Megan Powell and Jonathan Wainwright. "Blue Window" will be directed by Jonathan West. West has worked extensively in the Milwaukee theater scene, and he is proud to be a new staff member at Next Act Theatre as their Marketing and Development Manager. Steve Langenecker of Skylight Opera Theatre will serve as Scenic Designer. The production will be lit by Scott Grimscheid of First Stage Milwaukee. Josh Schmidt is designing the sound for the play.

Show dates for "Blue Window" are August 22, 23, 28, 29, 30 at 8 p.m. and August 24 and 31 at 7:30

p.m. All performances take place at the Broadway Theater Center's Studio Theatre, 158 North Broadway. For additional information or tickets call (414) 962-6602.

Entries By UWM Graduates and Former Students Sought for Alumni Art Competition

Milwaukee — All graduates and/or former students of the University of Wisconsin—Milwaukee and its predecessor institutions are invited to submit entries for the 19th UWM Alumni Association Art Competition. Works accepted for the competition will be displayed at the UWM Union Art Gallery, 2200 E. Kenwood Blvd., November 13th-December 12th.

The winners of the competition's Janet and Carl Moebius Awards for Excellence will be selected by Marilu Knode, chief curator of the Institute for Visual Arts (inova), UWM. Awards include a first place award of \$800, two awards of \$400, and four \$100 awards. Awards will be presented at a reception Thursday, Nov. 13, 4:30-7 p.m. in the Union Art Gallery.

Entries must be submitted as slides, and submitted with the entry form by Sept. 2, 1997. Entry forms or further information is available from the UWM Alumni Association, P.O. Box 413, Milwaukee, WI 53201 or (414) 229-3896.

Walker's Point to Feature Richard Knight

Milwaukee — Richard Knight, a painter and sculptor from Milwaukee, will be featured in the opening exhibit of the Fall season at the Walker's Point Center for the Arts.

Perhaps best known for his energetic paintings, which have been shown at the Michael Lord Gallery in Milwaukee, Knight also creates enigmatic sculptural works. These new pieces blend fabricated materials and found objects into forms which hint at utilitarian functions, but also suggest a kind of visual poem. The artist uses clay, wood, wax and paint to create objects designed for a funky world.

Knight's work was featured in the most recent Wisconsin Triennial Exhibit at the Madison Art Center. This prestigious show features the top artist in the state, selected by the Director and Curator of the Center after an exhaustive screening of potential exhibitors. Knight's sculptural work caught the eye of the exhibit's curator and his work received favorable critical response during the show.

A selection, including new sculptures which continue the exploration of themes involving abstracted shapes and forms will be displayed in the Walker's Point show.

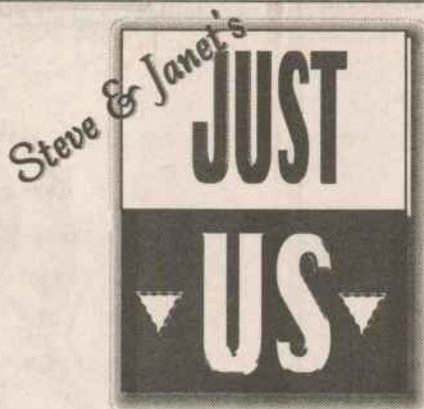
The show, *Painted Objects*, opens with a reception on Friday evening, September 5 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. and continues through October 18. The Walker's Point Art Center is located at 911 West National Avenue in Milwaukee. The Center's hours are Wednesday through Saturday, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., and Friday from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. For more information call 672-2757.



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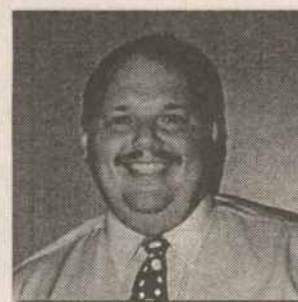
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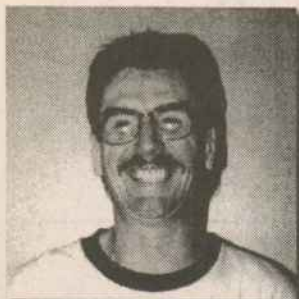


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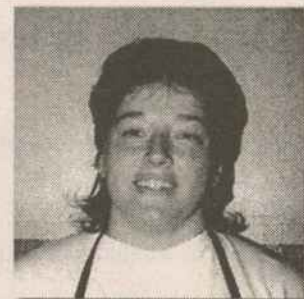
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Life and Creative Work of Britten and Hockney Focus of Two New Books

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Benjamin Britten: Operas by Michael Wilcox

"Benjamin Britten was one of the great composers of this century and a central figure in English musical life. He was also one of the first artists to live publicly—and in constant danger of prosecution—as a gay man, with his [life] partner the singer Peter Pears." Britten and Pears were considered criminals under both English and American State law on account of their homosexual relationship.

In the Introduction, Wilcox who writes briefly about all the operas, "adopting an explicitly gay perspective," has let us in on Britten's love of young boys. He says that this "was apparently more in the head than in the bed, if Humphrey Carpenter's absorbing biography of the composer is to be believed (Faber & Faber 1992)."

Britten told Eric Crozier [one of his librettists] that "he had been raped by a master at his school, as if his sexual deviation had stemmed from that one incident...." The author surmises: "What the composer told Crozier was not that this experience had turned a heterosexual into a homosexual, but that this childhood violation, whatever 'rape' actually meant, had stunted his natural homosexual development and made him a paedophile, forever seeking ways to love boys of the age at which he was 'raped' without, in turn, abusing them."

Both Britten and Pears were "conchies" (conscientious objectors), and spent the war years in the Americas (Canada and the US). They stayed in Brooklyn, New York with W.H. Auden. "Other tenants of this extraordinary household included Paul Bowles, Carson McCullers, Gypsy Rose Lee and Salvador Dali.

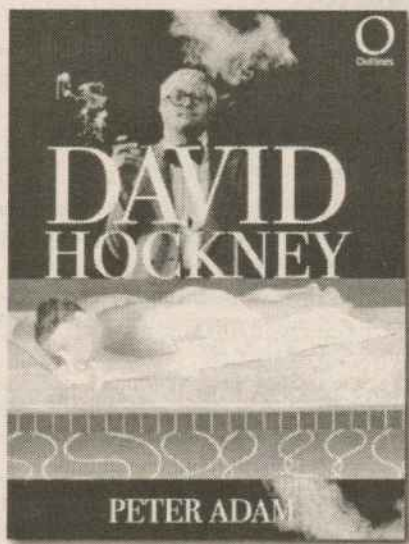
From Auden, Britten learned "the importance of using personal and private sub-texts to fuel the engine of public and political artistic creativity." Almost all of his operas had young male children as either main or secondary characters. He made good use of local choruses. In the operas *Peter Grimes*, *Billy Bud* and *Death in Venice*, this is easy to see. Most of Britten's librettists were homosexual, and his lover, Pears, played many of the lead roles, developing his tenor voice into one of the finest of the day.

David Hockney: And His Friends by Peter Adam

This book on David Hockney, "one of the best-known and prolifically inventive artists working today," is written based on a series of candid conversations that Peter Adam had with the artist in Los Angeles, where [Hockney] now lives. Hockney was also one of the first *out* artists of our time, and this book covers "his enduring fascination with the male nude."

Also included are his relationships with the friends and lovers who fired his

imagination and whom he painted or drew. Hockney has said: "Oh well friends ... that's really the only thread running through my life. I mean the only one that has not been broken and tied together again." He has since lost many of his friends and lovers to—among other things—AIDS.



He says, "I like painting those who are around me; it is convenient and it is also enriching." Many of the paintings etchings and drawings of men in this book have been lovers. Others, like Christopher Isherwood, Don Bachardy and Devine have been close friends.

Hockney was born in 1937 in Bradford, a market town in Yorkshire, England. Hockney won a scholarship to the Bradford School of Art in 1953. He applied to, and was accepted at, the Royal College of Art in 1957 ... where "students could paint what and how they wanted and only life class was compulsory."

He came out while at the Royal College. "In London he found as free a life as he wished for and began to acknowledge his homosexuality quite openly." To this day Hockney dislikes being labeled as a homosexual artist. "I am [just] an artist!" he says ... "Of course you can spot the artist's sexual inclination in his work. You can read it in a portrait, this love he feels for his sitters, but you can see that also in the portraits of my mother and my dogs."

Hockney's early paintings were in oil. He included graffiti and erotic messages by identifying lovers and friends with code names, initials and numbers. He began to sell lithographs and oils and eventually started to get 225 (use English Pound sign) for a painting.

After he moved to Los Angeles in 1963 in "search of color" ... because he wanted to "get away from the drab Englishness of English painting," he began to paint in acrylics and to do huge wall-sized canvases. He concentrated on his male nudes and did a series of "room" paintings, a series of men taking showers and eventually became known for his "pool" paintings. These paintings of swimming pools—in brilliant colors—include nude men with tan lines, thereby giving the impression that they had disrobed just for the artist.

Hockney's work is in all major museums. He has executed works in photography, acrylic, oil, collages and stage design. "He is an artist who demands the freedom to depict the world in a multitude of ways."

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Harry W. Schwartz/Mystery Group (Mequon): 7 p.m. The mystery group will discuss "Great Deceitance," by Elizabeth George. For more information call (414) 241-6220.

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Monday, August 25

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Tuesday, August 26

Audubon Court Books/Author Signing (Milwaukee): 7:30 p.m. Join author Mick Cochrane as he reads from "Flesh Wounds." For additional information call (414) 351-9140.

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Za's (Green Bay): Dry Dance Night! 16 & up in Za's alcohol served to over 21 in Java's.

OH ZONE (Rockford, IL): Sunday: 11 a.m. - 12 midnight. Drink specials daily!

Scooter's (Eau Claire): 3 p.m. - 8 p.m. \$6 Beer Bust (tap beer), \$8 Rail mixers, \$10 Call mixers, \$2 Double Bloody Mary's & Screws all night!

Kathy's Nut Hut (Milwaukee): Noon to 4 p.m. - Bloody Mary's & Screw Driver's - \$2 A Mug!

Emerald City (Antioch, IL): Bloody Mary's, \$2. DJ Bange 10:30 p.m. \$1 cover after 9 p.m. Hours 6 p.m. - 2 a.m.

The Ball Game (Milwaukee): until 6 p.m., \$0.80 Tap Beer, \$2 Bloody Marys, Screws, Greyhound. \$1.75 Rail Drinks (9 p.m. until close).

Manoeuvres (Madison): Beer Bash 3 p.m. to 8 p.m., \$5-Miller Lite taps. \$50 off all tap beers!

Napalese Lounge (Green Bay): \$6, Beer Bust from 3 p.m. until 8 p.m.

The Office (Rockford, IL): \$1.00 Bloody Marys!

Club 94 (Kenosha): 3-7 p.m. \$1.25-Bloody Marys, \$0.75-Tappers, 3-7 p.m. \$5.50 Beer Bust, 9-close. Free Hot dogs & Nacho's served all day!

South Water St. Docks (Milwaukee): 9 p.m. to close. Half off Rail Drinks and Domestic Beer, when you Take It Off For Spike (Shirts Only Guys).

Station 2 (Milwaukee): Bloody Marys, & Mimosa's \$2!

C'est La Vie (Milwaukee): Bloody Marys \$2, Beer Bust \$1, Tap Beer \$0.50.

Scandals (Madison): 4 p.m. until 8 p.m., \$5 Beer Bash!

Mondays:

Triangle (Milwaukee): \$1.50 Doctors!

M&M Club (Milwaukee): Double Bubble with complementary Hors D'oeuvres 5-7 p.m.

Boot Camp Saloon (Milwaukee): All Budweiser Products are \$1!

Emerald's (Milwaukee): "Margarita Mondays" 8 p.m. until 12 midnight \$2 Margaritas!

D's Place (Milwaukee): Daily Specials 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. Cans or bottles of beer for \$1.30 (except for premium beer). Shots: Bottom Shelf \$2, Middle \$2.50, Top \$3.25. Rail Drinks \$1.50.

OH ZONE (Rockford, IL): Open Daily Monday-Saturday: 5 p.m. - 2 p.m. Drink specials daily!

Scooter's (Eau Claire): 9 p.m. to close \$3 Pitchers!

Za's (Green Bay): Free Pool & Darts. \$6 Super bust at Java's.

B's Bar (Milwaukee): \$4 ea, Giant Pitchers Nite! All Specials Start After 9 p.m.

LaCage (Milwaukee): "Shake A Drink."

Just Us (Milwaukee): Closed.

Club 94 (Kenosha): Closed.

The Ball Game (Milwaukee): 9 p.m. to close, Domestic Beer \$1.25, \$1.75 Rail Drinks.

Kathy's Nut Hut (Milwaukee): 4 p.m. until 6 p.m. - Pull Tabs!

Emerald City (Antioch, IL): Margarita Madness, \$2. "Rock Night," \$1 cover after 9 p.m. Hours 7 p.m. - 2 a.m.

Manoeuvres (Madison): Rail Drinks, Domestic bottled, and Top Miller Lite; \$1.75!

Napalese Lounge (Green Bay): Pull Tabs from 3 p.m. until 7 p.m. (Drinks as low as \$2.5), Beer Bust from 10 p.m. until 2 a.m. for \$6.

The Office (Rockford, IL): \$1.50 Miller Products!

Club 219 (Milwaukee): Absolut Nite! \$1.25.

South Water St. Docks (Milwaukee): 2-4-1 Cocktails 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. (Tickets good until 9 p.m.).

Scandals (Madison): Happy hour 5-8 p.m. \$1 tap, \$1 rail, \$1 off others, & 9 to close, ex-exite \$1.50!

Mama Roux (Milwaukee): 5-7 p.m. Double Bubble! Lunch: 11 a.m. - Monday - Friday.

Station 2 (Milwaukee): \$0.75 Tappers!

Tuesdays:

Triangle (Milwaukee): \$6 Rail Drinks Pitchers!

M&M Club (Milwaukee): Double Bubble with complementary Hors D'oeuvres 5-7 p.m.

Emerald's (Milwaukee): "Beer Bust" 8 p.m. until 12 midnight \$5!

Station 2 (Milwaukee): Mini Pitchers, \$2.50!

Scooter's (Eau Claire): Progressive Night! Starts at 9 p.m. until close starts at \$1 rail mixers and starts at \$0c mugs of beer. Price goes up 25c every 1/2 until close.

D's Place (Milwaukee): Daily Specials 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. Cans or bottles of beer for \$1.30 (except for premium beer). Shots: Bottom Shelf \$2, Middle \$2.50, Top \$3.25. Rail Drinks \$1.50.

LaCage (Milwaukee): Draw for a dream trip! 8 winners nightly, Grand Prize Drawing every 90 days. Next drawing a trip for two to San Francisco.

Scandals (Madison): Happy hour 9 p.m. - close. \$1.50 taps!

Boot Camp Saloon (Milwaukee): Vodka Special, all night Vodka drinks \$1!

Kathy's Nut Hut (Milwaukee): "Mexican Nite": 4 p.m. until 7 p.m. until 10 p.m. Tequila 2-4-1! 4 p.m. until 2 a.m. Corona \$1.75!

Emerald City (Antioch, IL): Domestic bottled beer \$1.50. DJ Bange 10:30 p.m. \$1 cover after 9 p.m. Hours 7 p.m. - 2 a.m.

The Trading Company (Eau Claire): 2 for \$2 Domestic Bottles & Rail Mixers, All night!

Just Us (Milwaukee): Pull Tabs all night.

The Ball Game (Milwaukee): 9 p.m. to close, \$2.50 Top Shelf, \$1.75 Rail Drinks.

Club 94 (Kenosha): 7 p.m. until 11 p.m. \$1.25 Rail Drinks, 7 p.m. until close \$5.50 Beer Bust!

B's Bar (Milwaukee): Free Pool or Darts! (As long as you drink).

Manoeuvres (Madison): Pints of Miller Lite, \$1.75!

OH ZONE (Rockford, IL): Charity Night! All sales are donated to Rockford's AIDS Care Network.

Napalese Lounge (Green Bay): "Shake A Drink" (Acas Free and Sixes Half Price) from 3 p.m. until 7 p.m.

The Office (Rockford, IL): \$1.50 Bud Products!

Mama Roux (Milwaukee): 5-7 p.m. Double Bubble! Lunch: 11 a.m. - Monday - Friday.

South Water St. Docks (Milwaukee): 2-4-1 Cocktails 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. (Tickets good until 9 p.m.) Pull TABS 9 p.m. until close!

Wednesdays:

Triangle (Milwaukee): \$5 Super Bust!

M&M Club (Milwaukee): Double Bubble with complementary Hors D'oeuvres 5-7 p.m.

D's Place (Milwaukee): Daily Specials 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. Cans or bottles of beer for \$1.30 (except for premium beer). Shots: Bottom Shelf \$2, Middle \$2.50, Top \$3.25. Rail Drinks \$1.50.

Boot Camp Saloon (Milwaukee): Leather Night, drawing for over \$100 cash!

Emerald's (Milwaukee): "Ladies Night" 8 p.m. until 12 midnight 2 for 1!

Za's (Green Bay): \$6 Super Bust! DJ - Sean spins requests.

LaCage (Milwaukee): Super Bust!

Scandals (Madison): Happy hour 9 p.m. - close. Live DJ \$1.50 Rolling Rock!

The Trading Company (Eau Claire): Any Absolut mixer only \$2 all night!

Just Us (Milwaukee): Import bottled beer \$1 off.

The Ball Game (Milwaukee): 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Beer Bust \$4 or \$0.80 Glasses of Beer.

Kathy's Nut Hut (Milwaukee): Open to Close. "Hump Day": Everything's A Buck!

Emerald City (Antioch, IL): Emerald City Martini \$2.50. DJ Bange 10:30 p.m. \$1 cover. Hours 7 p.m. - 2 a.m.

Scooter's (Eau Claire): 9 p.m. - close; 2 for 2 Domestic bottles & Rail mixers!

B's Bar (Milwaukee): \$1.25 ea; Vodka Drinks! All Specials Start After 9 p.m.

Club 94 (Kenosha): 7-11 p.m. 2 for 1 Rail Drinks, \$0.50 Tappers, \$2.50 Pitchers All Night, 9 p.m. until close; Karaoke Night!

Napalese Lounge (Green Bay): Bar Rail Drinks for \$1.50, Soda and Juice \$5.00 from 3-7 p.m. Beer Bust from 10 p.m. until 2 a.m. for \$6.

Manoeuvres (Madison): All Rail Drinks, \$2!

The Office (Rockford, IL): \$0.50 Drafts/\$2.50 pitchers!

Mama Roux (Milwaukee): 3 p.m. - midnight. Double Bubble! Lunch: 11 a.m. - Monday - Friday.

Station 2 (Milwaukee): Bottles of Beer, Rail Drinks, and Wine \$1.50!

South Water St. Docks (Milwaukee): Double Bubble it all Day! 2-4-1 Cocktails open to close!

Thursdays:

Triangle (Milwaukee): Showtunes Thursdays! \$6 Rail Drinks Bust!

M&M Club (Milwaukee): Double Bubble with complementary Hors D'oeuvres from 5 p.m. until closing.

Scandals (Madison): Happy hour 9 p.m.-close. Live DJ. \$1.50 Domestic Beer, \$2 Rail!

D's Place (Milwaukee): Daily Specials 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. Cans or bottles of beer for \$1.30 (except for premium beer). Shots: Bottom Shelf \$2, Middle \$2.50, Top \$3.25. Rail Drinks \$1.50.

Emerald's (Milwaukee): "Tea Thursday" 8 p.m. until 12 midnight \$2.50 Long Islands!

LaCage (Milwaukee): "Super Bust", plus DJ & Dancing 7 nites a week.

Just Us (Milwaukee): Men's Night 2-4-1 all night for all men. Super sandwich menu 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Za's (Green Bay): \$6 Super Bust! DJ - Mark spins.

Scooter's (Eau Claire): Free Pool & Darts! 2-4-1 tap beer 9 p.m. to close.

Kathy's Nut Hut (Milwaukee): 7 p.m. until 2 a.m. - Slammers, \$1!

Emerald City (Antioch, IL): Well/Wine \$1.50. DJ Bange 10:30 p.m. \$1 cover after 9 p.m. Hours 7 p.m. - 2 a.m.

B's Bar (Milwaukee): \$1.25; Rail Drinks! All Specials Start After 9 p.m.

Club 94 (Kenosha): \$5.50 - Beer & Wine Bust, 7 p.m. until close. 8 p.m. until 10 p.m. HIV Testing!

The Trading Company (Eau Claire): Super Bust 9 p.m. until close, \$8 Rail mixers, \$10 Call mixers, \$12 Top Shelf mixers!

The Ball Game (Milwaukee): 9 p.m. to close, \$1.75 Rail Drinks.

Napalese Lounge (Green Bay): Pull Tabs (Drinks as low as \$2.5) from 3-7 p.m.

The Office (Rockford, IL): \$1 Beer/Wine and \$1.50 Well Drinks. DJ - Jes One.

Mama Roux (Milwaukee): 5-7 p.m. Double Bubble! Lunch: 11 a.m. - Monday - Friday.

South Water St. Docks (Milwaukee): 2-4-1 Cocktails 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. (Tickets good until 9 p.m.). \$0.75, taps from 9 until close.

Manoeuvres (Madison): Special Ex & Ex light, \$1.75!

Station 2 (Milwaukee): \$1.00 Tappers, \$2 7 crown and \$2 Captains!

Fridays:

M&M Club (Milwaukee): All you can eat Fish Fry with other great specials!

Just Us (Milwaukee): Fish Fry 5-10 p.m. (w/full menu) DJ from 10 p.m. - close.

Emerald's (Milwaukee): Mondays through Friday "After Work Cool Down" Mondays through Thursday 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. Fridays 5 p.m. until 8 p.m. \$1.25 Rail Drinks!

Scandals (Madison): Happy hour 9 p.m. - close. Live DJ. \$2 Dr's!

The Trading Company (Eau Claire): All chilled shots only \$1.50 9 p.m. until 11 p.m.

D's Place (Milwaukee): Daily Specials 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. Cans or bottles of beer for \$1.30 (except for premium beer). Shots: Bottom Shelf \$2, Middle \$2.50, Top \$3.25. Rail Drinks \$1.50.

LaCage (Milwaukee): "LaCage Showcase," show starts at 11:30 p.m.

Manoeuvres (Madison): \$50 off all Whiskey Drinks!

Scooter's (Eau Claire): \$1 Domestic Bottles! 9 p.m. to close.

B's Bar (Milwaukee): Bartender Calls It Night! All Specials Start After 9 p.m.

The Office (Rockford, IL): Rockford's Best Dance Party! DJ - Cris!

Kathy's Nut Hut (Milwaukee): 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. - Pull Tabs!

Emerald City (Antioch, IL): Friday Night Dance Party w/ DJ Bange. Doors open at 7 p.m. Party until 3 a.m. \$2 cover after 9 p.m.

Mama Roux (Milwaukee): Fish Fry!

Station 2 (Milwaukee): Kamikaze Shots, \$1.50!

Club 94 (Kenosha): 10 p.m. until close, DJ - Jeff's Party!

Saturdays:

Just Us (Milwaukee): Super sandwich menu: 6-8 p.m. DJ - 10 p.m. until close.

The Ball Game (Milwaukee): "until 6 p.m. \$0.80 Tap Beer, \$2 Bloody Marys, Screws, Greyhound!

Scandals (Madison): Happy hour 9 p.m.-close. Live DJ. \$1.50 Domestic Beer, \$2 Rail!

Scooter's (Eau Claire): All chilled shots only \$1.50, 9 p.m. until 11 p.m. DJ dancing on Saturdays starting at 11 p.m.

Club 94 (Kenosha): 10 p.m. until close, DJ - Jim's Party!

B's Bar (Milwaukee): Show Nights! - Call Bar!

The Office (Rockford, IL): Rockford's Best Dance Party! DJ - Jerry & Jes One!

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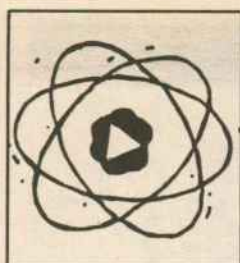
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QUEER SCIENCE

by Simon LeVay, Ph.D.

Left Brain/Right Brain

Left brain-cold, calculating, articulate, domineering. Right brain-repressed, sensitive, artistic, moody. The contrasting personalities of the two sides of the brain are central icons of pop psychology: whole industries have sprung up to help people integrate their warring hemispheres or draw out their hidden right-brained talents.

Although the reality of the matter may not be quite as dramatic as some self-help books would have you believe, cerebral lateralization (as it is called) is still an interesting field of research, and one that may have implications for the understanding of psychological differences both between men and women and between gays and straights.

The mental ability that is most clearly lateralized is language: in the great majority of people, both the understanding and production of language is handled predominantly by the left cerebral hemisphere. Thus, a brain injury or stroke affecting the left hemisphere may disrupt language skills, while comparable injuries on the right side have relatively little effect.

It's long been suspected that language is not as strongly focussed in the left hemisphere in women as it is in men. Striking evidence in favor of this supposition came in 1995, when a research group at Yale University used a brain-scanning technique to localize language processes in men and women. They found that one basic language task - the decoding of the elementary units of spoken language - is carried out at the base of the frontal lobe of the brain. In the male subjects who were engaged in this task, the left frontal lobe

lit up much more than the right, but in the women, both left and right frontal lobes lit up about equally. Some other language tasks, on the other hand, were restricted to the left hemisphere in both sexes.

There are a number of other mental tasks that are clearly lateralized. For example, the organization of voluntary movements is carried out primarily by the left hemisphere, like language. (Because the connections between the brain and the body are crossed, the right hand is more directly connected to the movement-organizing centers in the left hemisphere than is the left hand: this is probably why most people are right-handed.) Some spatial and perceptual tasks, by contrast, are served primarily by the right hemisphere. For several, but not all, of these lateralized tasks, the functional asymmetry is greater in men than in women.

Cerebral lateralization reduces the need for communication between the two sides of the brain. Thus one might expect individuals who are more strongly lateralized to have fewer connections between the left and right hemispheres. And in fact several studies, including one in which I was involved, have found that the bundles of fibers connecting the cerebral hemispheres are smaller, in proportion to overall brain size, in men than in women.

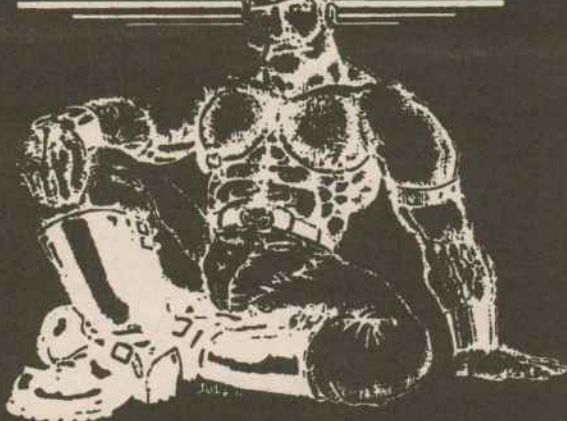
There are two reports in the literature suggesting that some brain functions in gay men are less strongly lateralized than in heterosexual men. Perhaps connected with those findings, Laura Allen and her colleagues at UCLA reported in 1992 that one of the fiber bun-

dles connecting the two hemispheres - its name is the anterior commissure - is larger, on average, in gay than in straight men. Thus, the organization of gay men's brains with respect to laterality may be comparable to what is more commonly seen in women, or may be intermediate between the male-typical and female-typical patterns. Two studies that looked at the same issue in women, however, failed to see consistent differences between the brain organization of lesbians and heterosexual women.

One of the most durable stereotypes about gay men is that they are more artistically inclined than straight men. And I for one believe it, although only as a generalization about the "average" gay and straight man. Could it be that this artistic expressiveness follows in some way from the pattern of lateralization and inter-hemispheric connections that develops in the brains of gay men?

At the moment, this kind of idea can only be hand-waving speculation. In the future, however, it may be possible to test it more rigorously. For example, one could compare the patterns of brain organization in artists and non-artists, and ask whether the pattern seen in gay men more resembles the one or the other group. The tremendous technical advances now being made in the imaging of brain structure and function will allow neuroscientists to explore the mind-brain connection in unparalleled detail. Soon, we may know how much of the left-brain/right-brain story is New-Age fancy, and how much is hard-wired fact.

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Saturday, August 30

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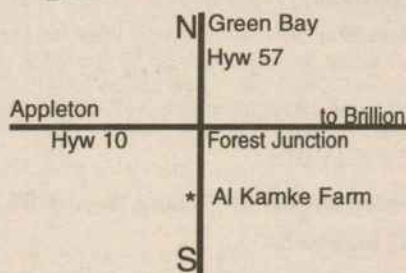
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Station 2 (Milwaukee): \$1.50 Cold Schnapps Shots!
 Manoeuvres (Madison): Rolling Rock battles S2.
 Mama Roux (Milwaukee): Grill open, 4 p.m.-10 p.m.!
 Kathy's Nut Hut (Milwaukee): Shorty's Beer 2 for \$1.50!
 Emerald City (Antioch, IL): Super Saturday Night Dance Party w/ DJ Bange. Doors open at 7 p.m. Party until 3 a.m. S2 cover after 9 p.m.

Bar Events

Wednesday, August 20
 Emerald City (Antioch, IL): 10 p.m.-2 a.m. Techno-vocal Karaoke with hosts Mark and Sammie. Come be a diva for a night! S2 cover after 9 p.m.
 Ball Game (Milwaukee): Dart Night Every Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Thursday, August 21
 Mama Roux (Milwaukee): Live Entertainment!
 Triangle (Milwaukee): Showtunes every Thursday night!
 Club 219 (Milwaukee): Joe B's Theme Show!

Friday, August 22
 C'est La Vie (Milwaukee): "Tabitha Presents" - showtime at 11:30 p.m.
 LaCage (Milwaukee): "LaCage Showcase," show starts at 11:30 p.m.

Saturday, August 23
 SWSO (Milwaukee): Noon AIDS Walk Team Carnival!
 C'est La Vie (Milwaukee): Male Strippers at 11 p.m.
 B's Bar (Milwaukee): 6:30 p.m. Teen Show, 10:30 p.m. Adult Show. Lana presents: The Best of Show - Benefits The BESTD Clinic. For more information call (414) 672-5580.

Sunday, August 24
 Club 219 (Milwaukee): 219 Girls!
 LaCage (Milwaukee): Customer Appreciation Night!
 Triangle (Milwaukee): Showtunes every Sunday night!
 The Office (Rockford): Karaoke Night!
 The Red Corvette (Milwaukee): Theme Party! • Male Dancers every Sunday!
 Manoeuvres (Madison): Female Impersonation: Every Sunday at 10:30 p.m.

Monday, August 25
 Mama Roux (Milwaukee): Open at 11 a.m. for lunch Mondays through Fridays!

Wednesday, August 27
 Club 219 (Milwaukee): Teasers!
Thursday, August 28
 Mama Roux (Milwaukee): Live Entertainment!
 Triangle (Milwaukee): Showtunes every Thursday night!

Friday, August 29
 Club 94 (Kenosha): D.J. Jeff's Party!
Saturday, August 30
 Just Us (Milwaukee): 7:30 p.m. Every Saturday Free 2-step lessons from Shoreline, also free line dance lessons from Shoreline.

B's (Milwaukee): Neely O'Hara Fundraiser, benefits Neely and BESTD Clinic.
 Club 219 (Milwaukee): Male Dancers!
 LaCage (Milwaukee): "Walkers Point Block Festival," Live Music: Interbang 3 p.m. The Love Monkeys 7 p.m. This event is a two days & two nights event.

Sunday, August 31
 Block Party: LINKS (Milwaukee): The annual LINKS Gay and Lesbians United; Food, Fun, Games, Silent Auction, and Much More! This year entertainment includes: Tina and the B-Side Movement, LaCage Girls, Mrs. Fun, Venis FWEEP, Jill Clark, The Martins, Johnny B.- Mr. Gay Milwaukee, USA and many others! For additional information call (414) 643-9633.
 LaCage (Milwaukee): "Walkers Point Block Festival," Live Music: Mount Olive 3 p.m. The Toys 7 p.m. This event is a two days & two nights event.

Club 219 (Milwaukee): 219 Girls!
 The Red Corvette (Milwaukee): Theme Party! • Male Dancers every Sunday!

Community

Wednesday, August 20
 Mobile HIV Testing Unit: Free and Confidential Testing (Milwaukee): Due to the growing number of HIV cases in Milwaukee, the Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP) is offering free and confidential testing at several locations and times.
 Monday: 1 • 4 p.m. E. Brady Street & N. Farwell Avenue. Tuesday: 11:30 a.m. • 5:30 p.m. Dennis C. Hill Harm Reduction Center, 4311 W. Vliet St. (414) 342-4399. Wednesday: 1 • 4 p.m., Cross Lutheran Church, 1821 N. 16th Street, 2 • 4 p.m. N. 5th Street & W. Center

Street. 10 a.m. • 4 p.m. Dennis C. Hill Harm Reduction Center, 4311 W. Vliet Street, (414)342-4399. Thursday: 11 a.m. • 5 p.m. Dennis C. Hill Harm Reduction Center, 4311 W. Vliet Street, (414) 342-4399, 2 • 4 p.m. N. 30th Street & W. Lisbon Street. For more information on HIV or AIDS, call the Wisconsin AIDSline at (414) 273-AIDS.

Thursday, August 21
 Milwaukee Public Museum: "Three Milwaukee Inventors Who Changed the World" (Milwaukee): May 23 through January 2, 1998. This display of "Three Milwaukee Inventors" will be located in the Clinton E. Rose Case at the entrance of the Streets of Old Milwaukee on the Museum's first floor. For more information call (414) 278-2700.

Cafe Melange/Fund-Raising (Milwaukee): 5:30 p.m. Fundraiser for State Representative Tammy Baldwin at Cafe Melange located at 720 Old World 3rd Street, Milwaukee, WI. For additional information call (414) 291-9889.

Friday, August 22
 Frontiers/Dining (Madison): 7:30 p.m. The Frontiers Dining Out return to their habit of frequenting various ethnic restaurants after a month of suppers on the Capitol Square. For additional information call (608) 274-5959.

Saturday, August 23
 GAMMA/Iroquois Cruise (Milwaukee): Along the Rivers and Lake Michigan shoreline on the 149-passenger Iroquois. Boarding at the Iroquois dock where Clybourn Street crosses the Milwaukee River (2 blocks south of Wisconsin Ave. crossing) at 6:30 p.m. Leaving at 7 p.m. sharp. Tickets \$15 in advance, \$18 at boarding. For additional information call (414) 264-9180.

Frontiers: Day Trip (Madison): 9:30 a.m. This month, Frontiers is outward bound on a fun day trip to southwestern Wisconsin. We'll car pool from west Madison to the Cassville area (along the Mississippi River) to tour Stonefield Village, a replica of an 1890s Wisconsin village. For additional information call (608) 829-1090.

Sunday, August 24
 Dignity-Milwaukee/Worship (Milwaukee): 6 p.m. The Second and Fourth Sunday of each month. The Second Sunday of the month the mass is followed by a potluck and spiritual discussion. The mass of the fourth Sunday will include a healing service with anointing. For more information call (414) 873-9591.

S.O.S. Meeting (Milwaukee): 6 p.m. SDS is a non-religious/non-spiritual alcohol-drug addiction recovery group. Meetings are held at BESTD Clinic, 1240 E. Brady Street, North room. Family and friends are welcome also.

Perfect Harmony Chorus/Rehearsal (Madison): 7:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Meet & sing at St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church on University Avenue (Middleton). It's an all male chorus. For more information call (608) 232-0528.

Come to Believe AA Group/Open Meeting (Green Bay): Every-Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. Metropolitan Community Church, 614 Frest Street. For more information call (414) 432-0830.

Milwaukee Public Museum/For Kids: "Pioneer Days" (Milwaukee): 1 p.m.-4 p.m. Located in the pioneer house on the ground level. A family "Adventurer's Bag" is free and filled with activities to do at home and at the Museum. For more information call (414) 278-2723.

Monday, August 25
 Live & Let Live AA Group/Open Meeting (Green Bay): Every-Monday evening at 8 p.m. Recovery Works, 906 E. Walnut Street. For more information call (414) 432-6400.

Tuesday, August 26
 OUTreach: Club 219 (Milwaukee): HIV testing at Club 219 from 9 p.m. to 12 Midnight. Sponsored by: Brady East STD Clinic (BESTD) and Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP). For more information call (414)272-2144 or (414) 225-1502.

Thursday, August 28
 Third Annual Athletes Against AIDS Golf Tournament/Mark Loretta (Milwaukee): Swing your clubs with infielder Mark Loretta, other Milwaukee Brewers, local athletes and Miller Brewing at the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin's 3rd annual Athletes Against AIDS Golf Tournament at Country Club of Wisconsin. For more information on sponsorship or to register, call (414) 225-1549.

Friday, August 29
 SAGE/Zoo Day (Milwaukee): 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Senior Celebration Day at the Zoo. Free admission to persons 60+, parking \$5 per car. Lunch box special \$5.75 available. For additional information write: SAGE/Milwaukee, P.O. Box 92482, Milwaukee, WI 53202.

Saturday, August 30
 Frontiers/Last Picnic (Madison): 12 noon. Frontiers offers a Labor Day Weekend cookout at Olin-Turville Park. The club will furnish a meat entree and beverages. Attendees should just bring appropriate side dishes. For additional information call (608) 274-5959.

Sunday, August 31
 Dignity Worship (Milwaukee): 6 p.m. The Second and Fourth Sunday of each month. The Second Sunday of the month the mass is followed by a potluck and spiritual discussion. For more information call (414) 873-9591.

Wednesday, September 3
 OUTreach/LaCage (Milwaukee): HIV testing at LaCage from 9 p.m. to 12 Midnight. Sponsored by: Brady East STD Clinic (BESTD) and Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP). For more information call (414)272-2144 or (414) 225-1502.

Festivals

Friday, August 22-Sunday, August 24
 Henry Maier Festival Park
 Mexican Fiesta (Milwaukee): Mexican Fiesta...Con Sabor a Mejico! Three days of fun, food, Mariachi and Fiesta for everyone. Mexican Fiesta offers among the activities: Jalapeño Eating Contest, Cultural

Village, El Mercado, El Grito Contest, Cultural Costume Contest, Run to Fiesta, and Much, more. For additional information call (414)383-7066.

Friday, August 29-Monday, September 1
 Milwaukee's Lakefront

Bud Light Maritime Days (Milwaukee): Bud Light Maritime Days-Twenty-five restaurants will serve their food specialties at Bud Light Maritime Days-Taste of Wisconsin. For additional information call (414) 223-7500.

Film/TV

Wednesday, August 20
 Public Access TV, WYOU, Cable 4: 9 p.m.-11 p.m. "Nothing To Hide" presents 1997 Out & About speaker Urvasi Vaid with Q&A. For more information call (608) 241-2500.

University of WI-Milwaukee/Stephanie Barber (Milwaukee): Through August 24. Hours at the museum are 12-5 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday, closed Monday, Tuesday and holidays. Location: 3253 N. Downer Avenue. There is no admission charge. For more information call (414) 229-5070.

The University of Chicago/DOC Films (Chicago): DOC Films, the oldest student-run film group in the country, specializes in top-quality recent releases as well as the finest films of the century. Movies are shown in Ida Noyes Hall's Max Palevsky Cinema, 1212 E. 59th Street. Admission is \$3 Sunday through Thursday, \$4 Friday and Saturday, quarterly passes are available for \$22. Call (773) 702-8575 for 24-hour film and ticket information.

Friday, August 22
 Madison Gay Video 18-30 Club: 8 p.m. "Oliver, Oliver" (French w/subtitles, dir. Agnieszka Holland, 1991), "On Your Knees" (dir. Matt Sterling, 1997). For more information call (608) 244-8675.

Saturday, August 23
 Humphrey IMAX Dome Theater: Cosmic Voyage (Milwaukee): Special Effects now through October 24, 1997 and Cosmic Voyage starting June 7 through January 9, 1998. For more information call (414) 319-IMAX.

Madison Gay Video Club: 8 p.m. "Oliver, Oliver" (French w/subtitles, dir. Agnieszka Holland, 1991), "On Your Knees" (dir. Matt Sterling, 1997). For more information call (608) 244-8675.

Monday, August 25
 Frontiers: Film Circle (Madison): 7:30 p.m. "Making Love," was a first for Hollywood to depict likable well-adjusted gay characters, men who actually kiss on camera! For more information call (608) 241-5769.

Gallery

Brady East STD Clinic Gallery (BESTD): "Katt Yanda" (Milwaukee) Through August 29. The show entitled "Cutting a new path: the art of Katt Yanda." Media are varied, including soft pastels, conte crayons, charcoal, inks, oils pastels and paints. Gallery hours: Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 10 a.m. until 9 p.m. Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. For more information call (414) 272-2144.

Michael H. Lord Gallery/Citizen MKE (Milwaukee): Through September 1. The photography exhibition Citizen MKE is a wondrous assembly of 90 life-sized faces in tightly cropped black and white portraits of Milwaukee people taken over the last three years. Gallery hours: Monday-Friday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. 2 p.m. For more information call (414) 272-1007.

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee/"Rosenberg Collection" (Milwaukee): Through August 24. The exhibition consists of 55 paintings, sculptures, and works in other media drawn from the Rosenberg Collection. Hours at the museum are 12-5 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday. The museum is closed Monday, Tuesday and holidays. For more information, phone (414) 229-5070. There is no admission charge.

Milwaukee Art Museum/"Since Now: Contemporary Photographs From the Permanent Collection" (Milwaukee): Through August 31. This exhibition begins with the 1970's when many artists such as Robert Smithson, Robert Cumming and Vito Acconci began using photography outside of the familiar tradition of fine art photography. Bamberger will give a Gallery Talk in the exhibition on Tuesday, June 10 at 1:30 p.m. The Gallery Talk is free with regular museum admission. MAM is located at the War Memorial Center, 750 N. Lincoln Memorial Dr. For more information call (414) 224-3200.

Milwaukee Public Museum/"Butterflies Alive" (Milwaukee): Through September 1. Steigleder Special Exhibits Gallery: The centerpiece of this exhibit is a walk-through butterfly garden with waterfall, blossoming plants and hundreds of live-flying butterflies. For more information call (414) 278-2700.

neo-post-now gallery/"Brett Hansen," Go-Go, Go-Go (Manitowoc): Through September 26. Now hosting an exhibition of Brett Hansen; Recent creations by this former Prom King. Gallery hours are by appointment, phone (414) 682-0337.

The University of Chicago/Art Exhibit (Chicago): "In the Presence of the Gods: Art from Ancient Sumer in the Collection of the Oriental Institute Museum," Over 40 ancient Sumerian artifacts, dating from the 3rd millennium B.C. are included in this Gallery II exhibition. This exhibition will be on display at the Smart Museum of Art, 5550 S. Greenwood Avenue on the University of Chicago campus. For additional information call (773) 702-0200.

Grava Gallery/Checked Mates (Milwaukee): Through August 29. Paintings by Audrey Lundquist Poessel. Grava Gallery, 1209 East Brady Street. Gallery hours: Tuesday-Friday: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., Saturday: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. For additional information call (414) 277-8228.

Live Music

Friday, August 22
 Audubon Court Books/"Live Music" (Milwaukee): 7:30 p.m.-11:30 p.m. Mark "Lil Rev" Revansen, guitar, Dave Fox, fiddle.

Fyfe's Corner Bistro/"Live Music" (Madison): 7 p.m. Kick off the party with DJ dancing, 7 p.m. to close. Plenty of easy parking in the back and no cover charge. Fyfe's Corner Bistro located at 1344 East Washington Avenue. For more information call (608) 251-8700.

Saturday, August 23
 Harry W. Schwartz Bookshop/Mark Rattner (Shorewood): 8 p.m. Music in the Cafe presents Mark Rattner. For more information call (414) 963-3111.

Saturday, August 30

Harry W. Schwartz Bookshop/Duo (Shorewood) 8 p.m. Music in the Cafe present Paul Silverjeit Duo. For additional information call (414) 963-3111.

Theatre/Dance/Performing Art

Bailiwick Repertory/"Pride Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow" (Chicago): Through August 25. For the last 8 summers, Bailiwick Repertory's Pride Series has developed into one of the country's leading green - houses for gay and lesbian plays, and performance pieces. With new comedies (Amanda and Eve, The Club), a new musical and opera (Taking Care of Mrs. Carroll, The First Lady's Lady), history (My Kind of Town, The Light keepers), a new adaptation (A Midsummer Night's Dream), a new work by Lunacy: The Pulse, and a Midwest Premiere by Canada's Michael Tremblay (Damnee Manon Sacred Sandra), Pride '97 is a summer fest that truly represents the community. The Bailiwick Arts Center is located at 1229 West Belmont, Chicago, IL 60657-3205. For additional information call (773) 883-1090.


Madison Repertory Theatre: Dames at Sea (Madison): Through August 31. Join us this summer for an exuberant musical excursion into a time when song-and-dance people were gallant troupers who always gave their all. A time when a young lady just off the bus with only her dancing shoes and her dreams can take over the leading role in the newest Broadway musical. A time when a self-confident young man with a talent for song can save a show with a smash tune. Dames at Sea is a toe-tapping tribute to the beloved song and dance musicals of the 1930's. For additional information call (608)256-0029.

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Dance

Saturday, August 23
 DanceWorks: Benefit Show (Milwaukee): 7:30 p.m. • 10:30 p.m. Danceworks performance Company, Milwaukee's first new contemporary dance company in over 10 years, announces a benefit reception in support of its debut season. The event, to be held at the Danceworks studios, 3195 S. Superior Street, will feature a wine tasting, silent auction, and live entertainment, with food provided by Wagner's in Bay View. On hand will be beer expert Lucy Saunders, whose book, Cooking With Beer, was published by Time Life Books. Tickets are available in advance or at the door, at \$15 per person or \$25 per couple. For reservations or information, call Danceworks at (414) 481-2010.

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Out of the Stars

Horoscope for August 20th through September 3rd

ARIES: (March 21-April 20)

There may be a possibility of a money argument with someone close to you this week. Have the confidence in your intuition, and follow through with what you truly believe, when the time is right. You will enjoy close rapport with co-workers on an important project.

TAURUS: (April 21 - May 21)

Try not to become involved in a mild argument, or in providing information that maybe confidential. Resist any urges to spend extravagantly, and remember to take heart to the phrase that all that glitters may not be gold. How are you going to reach your goals?

GEMINI: (May 22 - June 21)

By using your patience and diplomacy skills this week, you may be able to advance a business association. Your evening hours will be filled with relaxation and romantic events. Any overt criticism must be avoided if you want to advance at work.

CANCER: (June 22 - July 23)

A new romance may be waiting just around the corner. Work is really the name of the game this week, and if you try to get out of it, you may just land in an even more restricted setting. Make the best of a rather awkward situation concerning certain family members.

LEO: (July 24- August 23)

If you make it a point of putting aside dreary thoughts and feelings this week, your love life, plus creative and pleasurable interests will be happily featured. If you capitalize on your power of persuasion, you will emerge a winner in any negotiations you take on.

VIRGO: (August 24 - September 23)

Such diverse, and yet important interests such as domestic matters, property improvement, entertaining and career advancement will be highlighted this week. This is your time to turn on the charm if you are looking for progress at work. Your charisma will get you far.

LIBRA: (September 24 - October 23)

A powerful new trend beginning this week will include quite exciting romantic developments, as well as a freer flow of creative expression. All money dealings should be sound if you are paying attention to details. Stop dreaming about a vacation and take one.

SCORPIO: (October 24 - November 22)

A special relationship will be given a shot in the arm during the week. Any news you hear during the week will be financially helpful, although this may be a time of win some, lose some. Both patience and objective thinking will do more good than acting impulsively.

SAGITTARIUS: (November 23 - December 21)

Both your home and monetary interests will be linked this week. Multiple interests may throw you for a loop at first, but your fine organizational skills will rescue you. Personal plans may cut into your work time, but not hinder any progress. Plan a long vacation.

CAPRICORN: (December 22 - January 20)

Your plans this week, and those of a family member may not mesh well at all, but someone has to give - guess who it will be, and try to be cheerful about it. Days like this can teach us all a lesson. Communication with another person becomes more meaningful.

AQUARIUS: (January 21 - February 19)

Your self-confidence soars for the next several weeks and now starts a trend in which your best traits and talents can be intensified. Highlighted this week are romance and social popularity. Keep your spending in control, don't be too quick to splurge.

PISCES: (February 20 - March 20)

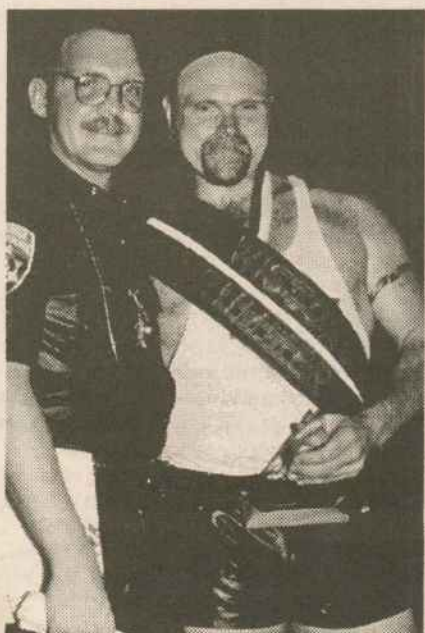
This will be a positive week for financial and career goals. Expect a favor from an unanticipated source - if not right away, then in the very near future. Be wise and sidestep discussions on any touchy subjects. Tempers may be high, and reasoning low.



— The catch of the day at South Water Street Docks! /Photo: Jamie



— Look mom, we have no cavities! /Photo: Jamie



— Looks a the winner is Ray! /Photo: Jamie



— The all boys club! /Photo: Jamie



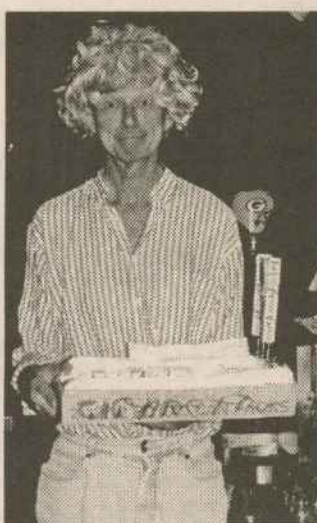
— Smile, you're on Jamie's camera! /Photo: Jamie



— Some of Milwaukee's lovely ladies! /Photo: Jamie



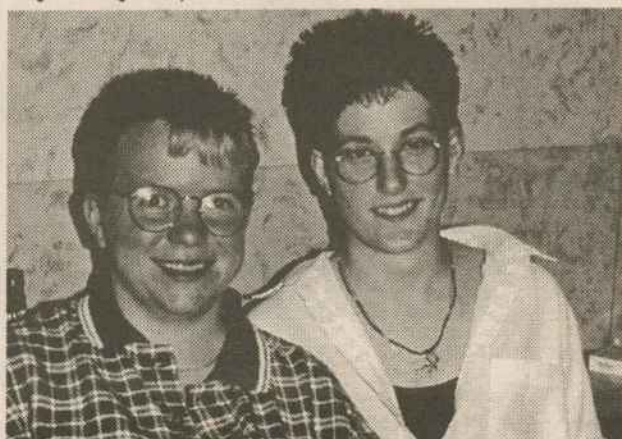
— "Love...love, we'll keep us together..." /Photo: Jamie



— Cigarettes! Cigarettes! /Photo: Jamie



— Clearinghouse Sweepstake winners! Photo: Jamie



— Smells like newlyweds to me! /Photo: Jamie

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KEEPIN' IN STEP

by Jamie

As I sit here on Sunday morning preparing this column, it's overcast outside, a bit nippy and it looks as if fall is trying to creep in on us. I've had my morning Dr. Pepper, got 2 pillows out, one for my back and one to prop up my keyboard and I'm ready to write. Fleetwood Mac is on MTV doing one of those reunion shows and I couldn't help but be struck with a bit of nostalgia.

I guess I kinda miss the 70's. You know, before I had any "real" responsibilities. Back when the last school bell rang, I had 3 months of vacation, and didn't have to worry about the mortgage payment or the car payment. I could spend the whole summer doing what really added up to being nothing. I'd give almost anything to be able to spend a month in the late 70's and then come back to today.

As you might remember, mom wouldn't allow us to have a television during my teen years so I buried myself in music. Just about anything I could get my hands on, I would listen to. People like Neil Young ("Comes a Time" was my favorite album from him), Dan Fogelberg, Bob Segar, Eric Clapton, Supertramp, Foreigner, and yes, I admit it, Barry Manilow. I devoured as much music as I could.

Back in the 70's, they hadn't invented the walkman stereo that we are so used to today. Nope, I had to make my own. I bought one of those \$29.00 tape players and rigged a great set of headphones so it would plug into the tape player. It was a little cumbersome, but hey, I had music "on the go".

I remember one time in particular, I was headed to my sister's house for another one of her parties. I was walking down Highway 141 in what was probably considered a blizzard, stoned off my ass (remember

that was back when I used to do that kind of thing), enjoying Rush 2112 blaring through my headphones when my dad pulled up behind me. I thought for sure I was dead meat. There I was, all goofy eyed, probably smelling like I had just had a pow-wow with Jerry Garcia, wandering down the highway. Somehow dad didn't catch on, I don't know, maybe he thought it was some kind of new cologne or something. He gave me a ride to my sister's house and went about his business. That was a night that I will never forget.

Yup, today I could do without television if I had to but don't take away my music. What better way to visit the good ol' days of the mid to late 70's. than to pop in a CD and drift.

Speaking of drifting, let's drift to the present to what's been happening here in 1997.

The 1997 Mr. Wisconsin Drummer Contest was held at South Water Street Docks, August 9th. It was a pretty wild show to say the least, I haven't seen scenes like that since the last time I popped "Power Tool" into the VCR. Out of four contestant, Ray from the Boot Camp won the 1997 title.

With the recent floods, the MAP Food Pantry has been in need of some help. Some of that help came from 3B's, August 10th. They held a benefit show that if you brought in a non perishable food item, you got in for free. So people came with food to be donated to the food pantry and enjoyed a great show as well. That's the spirit, B's!

Somehow I missed BreastFest at Fannies. This is a great festival with all of the proceeds going into research for breast cancer. Sources tell me that they had a wonderful turnout and raised over \$6,000!

This past weekend, my friend Dan and I decided it

was time for a club crawl. So I grabbed my camera and headed out. Our first stop was Triangle. Not much going on there, but it was much too early for the usually busy Saturday night crowd. So, we headed over to Just Us to catch people learning how to line dance. Me, line dance? Not a chance, we just had fun watching.

Next stop was Fannies. Wow, there were a lot of good lookin' babes over there. Including our friend, Robin. She was kind enough to take us around, introducing us to all of her friends. Jeeze girl, how many pretty women do you know?

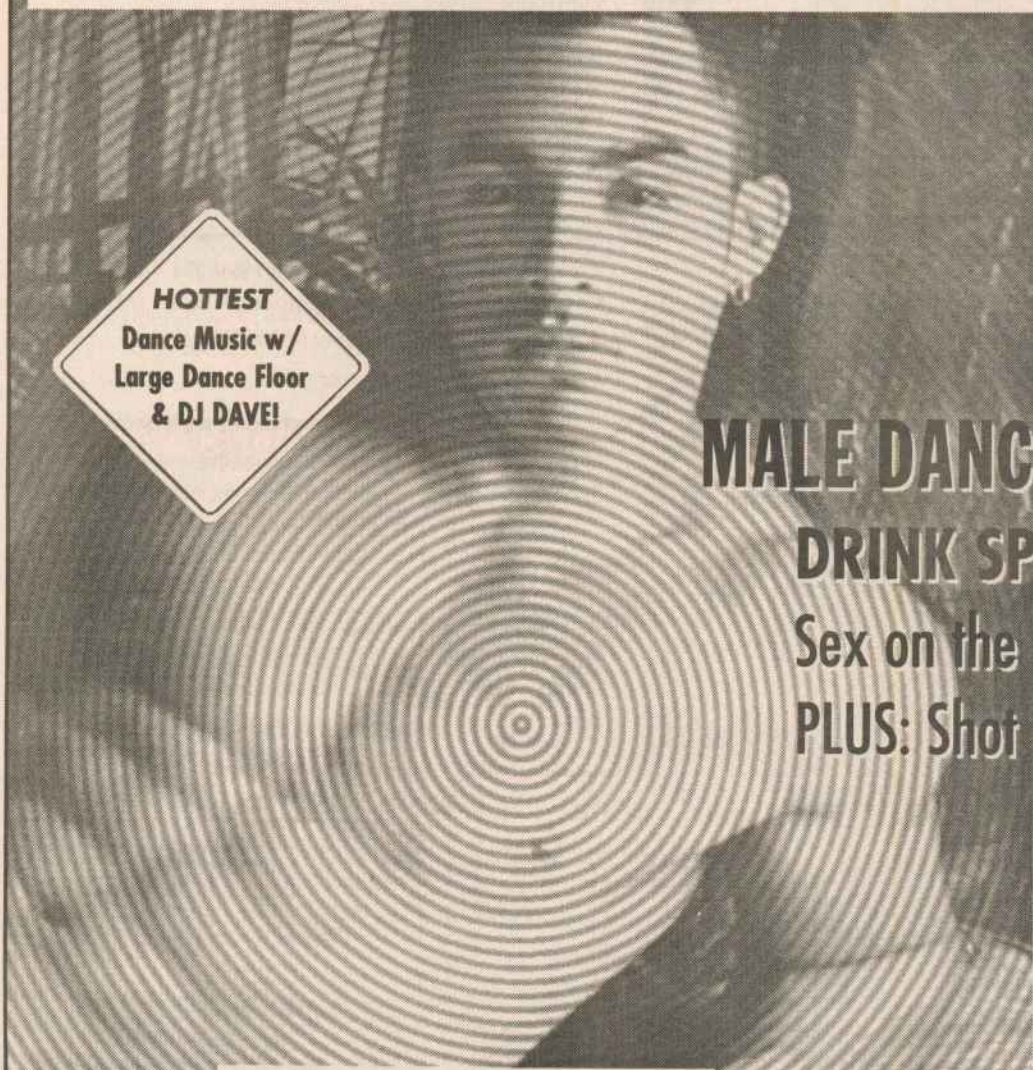
We decided to give Robin a chance to get lucky so we headed over to the Ballgame to see if anyone was miss-behaving over there. Nope, Rick wasn't there to give me a hard time so we made do with what we had. A group of guys were glad to have their picture taken which always makes my job easier. Thanks guys!

All in all we had a great time, it's fun to just go bar hopping every once in a while. You know, don't stay at one bar too long, and go to places you haven't been to for a while.

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Until next time that's gonna do it for now. I hope you enjoyed reading a bit about my teen years and as always slower traffic keep right.

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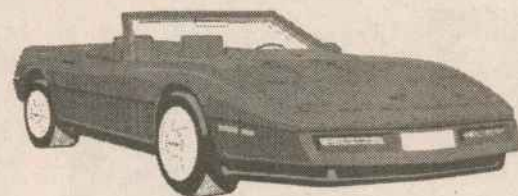
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ORGANIZATIONS

- Angel of Hope** (MCC Church)
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Madison (608)

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MEDICAL

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FAX 252-6559
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PO Box 536, 53701
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- Womansong** (Woman's Choral Group) 246-2681

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Milwaukee (414)

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2038 N. Bartlett, 53202 271-2565
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P. O. Box 1488, 53201 344-9222
- Cream City Foundation** (CCF)
2821 N. 4th St. #210, or,
Box 204, 53201 265-0880
- Cream City Squares**
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PO Box 1272, Milwaukee, 53201
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PO Box 413, Union Box 51, 53201 229-4054
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- Membership Information** 264-9180
http://www.execpc.com/~milic/gamma
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1240 E. Brady St., 53204 372-8008
- Gay/Lesbian/Bi Community at UWM**
Box 251, 2200 E. Kenwood 53201 229-6555
- Gay Lesbian Education Employees of Metro Milw.**
(GLEEMM), Larry 462-8404
- Gay/Lesbian Studies UWM** 229-6402

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- G/L Community Center Trust Fund**
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PO Box 341611, 53234-1611
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PO Box 92674, 53202 228-1921
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- LAMM** (Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee)
PO Box 93233, 53203 264-2600
- Lesbian Gay Bisexual Awareness Alliance** (LGBAA)
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Campus Ministry, 617 N. 14th St, 53233 288-6873
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P.O. Box 92722, 53202 483-4710
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Box 07423, 53207
- Orgullo Latino/a Latin Pride**
1532 N. Astor (c/o Murguio)
- Outdoors Cooperative Sports Group** 963-9833
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PO Box 21853, 53221 299-9198
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1614 East Kane Place, 53202 271-1560
- Positive Outcomes**
Gay Males 17-21 (support) 271-2565
- PrideFest** (Pride Committee)
PO Box 93852, 53203 272-FEST
- Pride Youth Group** (Peer group meetings for gay youth)
Call Pathfinders for more info 271-1560
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PLANT YOUR APPLESEED I'm a very well built, smooth, Single, White male, 28, 5'7, and I'm ready to serve guys who need special attention. If you have a big, hard, problem, my mouth and throat can make it all better. I'm especially interested in men between 18 and 28. I'm disease free and can travel throughout the area. If you like, we can meet first to check each other out. I'm very discreet. (Appleton) #4096

SMOOTH SATISFACTION This clean, discreet, White male, 27, 5'8, 175lbs, with a well built, smooth, body knows how to satisfy. I seek other White males, 18 to 27, for fun. Let's meet somewhere and decide where we want to go from there. (Appleton) #1148

FREE IN THE FOOTHILLS Boy, am I glad to be back in the foothills. I just returned from Atlanta where I realized that city life ain't for me. I'm a good natured, laid back, White male, 25, 6ft, 180lbs, looking for friends and, eventually, a relationship. I'm a farm kid who loves the country and can't deal with the fast pace, and insincerity, of the metropolis. (Baraboo) #3027

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BASKING IN MOONLIGHT I like movies, and moonlit walks, and want a masculine mate. I'm 5'9, 180, with curly, Blond hair, and Blue Green eyes. I'm a submissive bottom, looking for that special top. (Boyceville) #44165

ROCK MY WORLD I'm a very, very, very submissive bottom, 27, 5'10, 190lbs, with Auburn hair, and Blue Green eyes. I need a hot, aggressive top man to handle me. I was going to install handlebars but like the contact. Manipulate me. (Boyceville) #3939

FAR EAST YEARNING Good looking, lonely, White male, 49, 5'9, 170lbs, wants to meet Asian males, 18 to 26, for good times and companionship. (Columbia County) #3514

BLOW MY HORN Hot, masculine, White male, 35, 6ft, 190lbs, with Brown hair and Green eyes, seeks other horny men, 20 to 30, for fun times. (Eau Claire) #7099

ALL SYSTEMS ARE GO This 19 year old, White male, wants to get to know other guys, under 30. In my world, everything is go. I like men who are intelligent, humorous, and compassionate. (Eau Claire) #3074

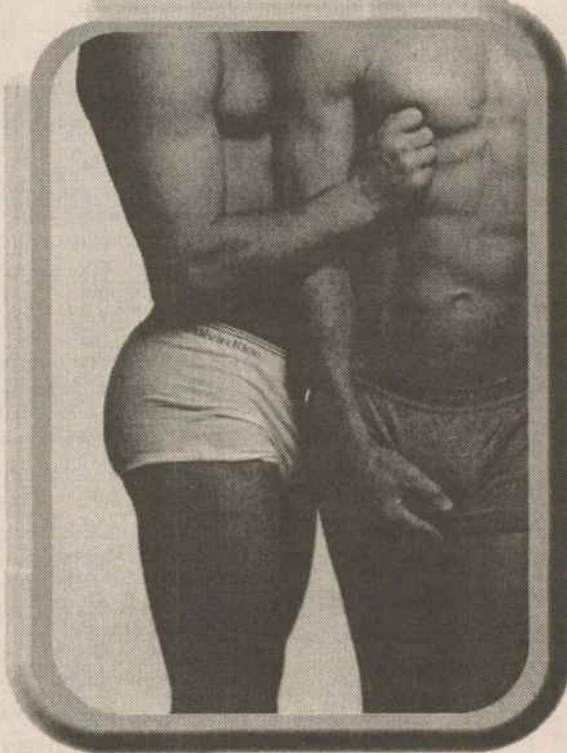
BENEATH THE SURFACE It seems to me that personal statistics and measurements don't mean much at this point. I'm looking for someone to get to know. If you, too, are interested in what's inside, let's talk. (Eau Claire) #34100

MORNING APPOINTMENT I like to get it hot and hard on weekday mornings, between 7 and 9 a.m. I'm a sexy, 39 year old, Bi, White male, 180lbs. I'm extremely horny and need it soon. Maybe we can

make it a regular thing. The bigger the better. (Fox Cities) #14525

DON'T PULL THE PLUG I'm here to plug up some holes. This horny, masculine, top seeks hot bottoms for long sessions. (Fox River) #1570

ASIAN INFATUATION This attractive, White male seeks a Gay, Asian male for friendship. (Janesville) #31586



JUST THE TWO OF US I'm looking for a man who likes to spend intimate times with a loving partner. I'm a good natured, attractive, 32 year old, White male, 6'1, with Blond hair and Blue eyes. I love the outdoors, swimming, walks on the lake, and spending time with you. (Kenosha) #30834

READY FOR ACTION Gay, White male seeks hot, young, Gay friend for good times. Let's talk about it. That's half of the fun. (Madison) #4166

BAY BI BONDAGE This extremely submissive, Bi, White male, 44, seeks a dominant master. I'll cater to your every whim. I'm turned on by B&D, S&M, spanking, humiliation, verbal abuse, and much more. (Green Bay) #12639

CHEESE LOVER I need a hunk of cheese. I'm a very attractive, White male, 26, 6'2, 190lbs, and in great shape. I'm honest, athletic, and seek someone like me, 18 to 30, who lives in the area. (Hudson) #34658

DON'T LET THE CHAIR SCARE YA I have Cerebral Palsy and live in a wheelchair. I'm looking for a man between 20 and 50, to spend some quality time, and share hugs, with. I'm a 42 year old, White male, into swimming, and wrestling. (Janesville) #31871

TREAT ME RIGHT I'm looking for a man who can do just that. I'm an 18 year old, White male, 155lbs, with Brown hair and Green eyes. I'm into good times, and would love a relationship, but want for us to be friends first. You should be thin, easy going, and enjoy doing fun stuff. (Kaukauna) #2173

CHISELED, MUSCLE STUD I'm a 5'6, 135lb, natural bodybuilder and swimmer, and I love to show off my defined, muscular body. Let me flex it. Go ahead, feel me. Ooh, I know what you're feeling, that huge bulge in my jock strap. It's as well built as the rest of me and loves to be licked. If you're another well built dude with a barbelled body, I'm all yours. Let's show off for each other. (Madison) #2120

TIGER WOODY I'm a nice looking, 58 year old, White male, 5'9, 180lbs, with a medium build. I love to play golf and engage in all other outdoor activities. Right now, I'm more interested in some indoor sports, if you know what I mean. (Madison) #32997

BODY SAFARI Young, White male, 19, wants to meet men in the area for hanging out, and physical exploration. (Menasha) #3777

HOW ARE YOU AT PLOWING? I need an experienced hand, who knows how to blaze a trail. I'm a very submissive, Blond guy, 21, with Blue eyes. I need hot, and hard, tops, to have their way with me. (Menomonie) #17473

DON'T HANG UP This good looking, White male, is totally into phone sex. I like it hot and heavy. The more explicit the better. Can't wait to talk to other men as horny as me. (Milwaukee) #4653

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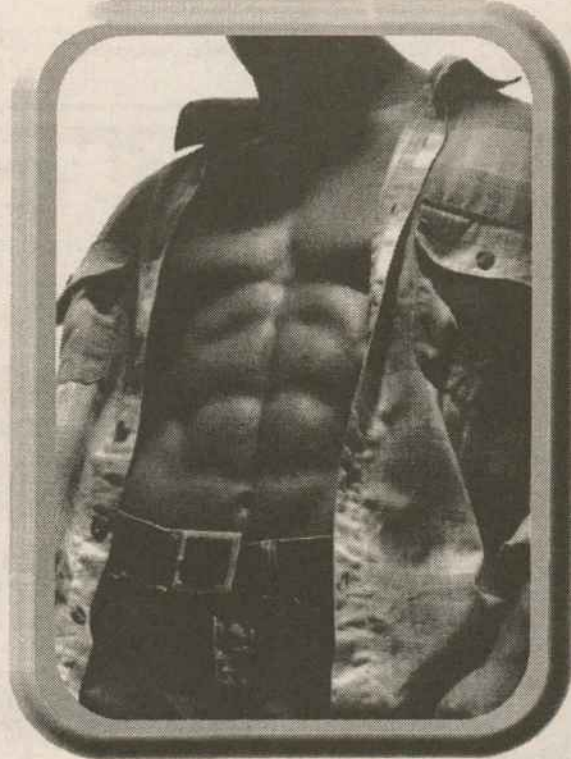
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NEEDY IN NEENAH Hi guys, I'm looking for hot times with hot guys. Give me a call. (Neenah) **#3491**



ON WITH THE SHOW If you like to show off, and have something to show, show it to me. I'm a muscular, 29 year old, White male, into posing, wrestling around, and oral action. I'm especially into arms and chests. (Milwaukee) **#31169**

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ON THE PRACTICAL SIDE I'm an easy going, open, honest, pragmatic, White male, bear, in my late 40's. I seek a Gay male, 30 to 45, who's interests complement my attributes. (New Richmond) **#1787**

ALL OUT FOR FUN This easy going, attractive, White male, 30, 6ft, 150lbs, with a nice, tanned, body, seeks a man, 18 to 35, for friendship. I enjoy sports, the outdoors, going out on the town, and quiet evenings at home. (Oshkosh) **#2490**

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KEEP IT QUIET I'm whispering because I don't want anyone to know what I'm doing. I'm an attractive, Single, White male, 6ft, with Brown hair and Blue eyes, seeking a clean, discreet, and serious, partner for my first sexual experience with a man. (Racine) **#1273**

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GET ON WITH THE SHOW Good looking, 30 year old, White male seeks hot, well built, Gay males, 18 to 20, only. I have lots of interests including X-rated videos. Let's get together and play. **#4267**

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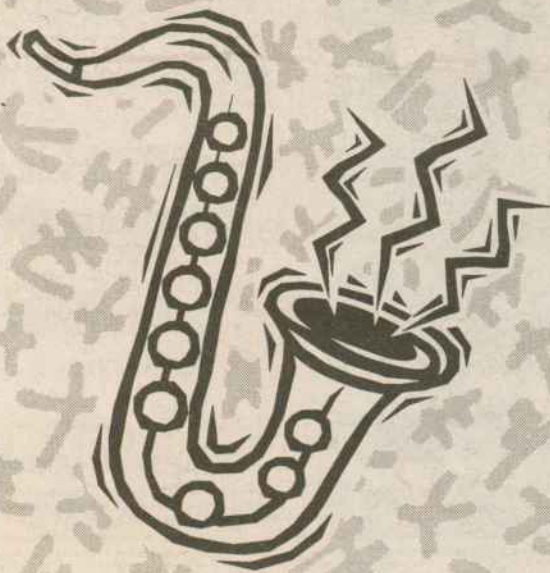
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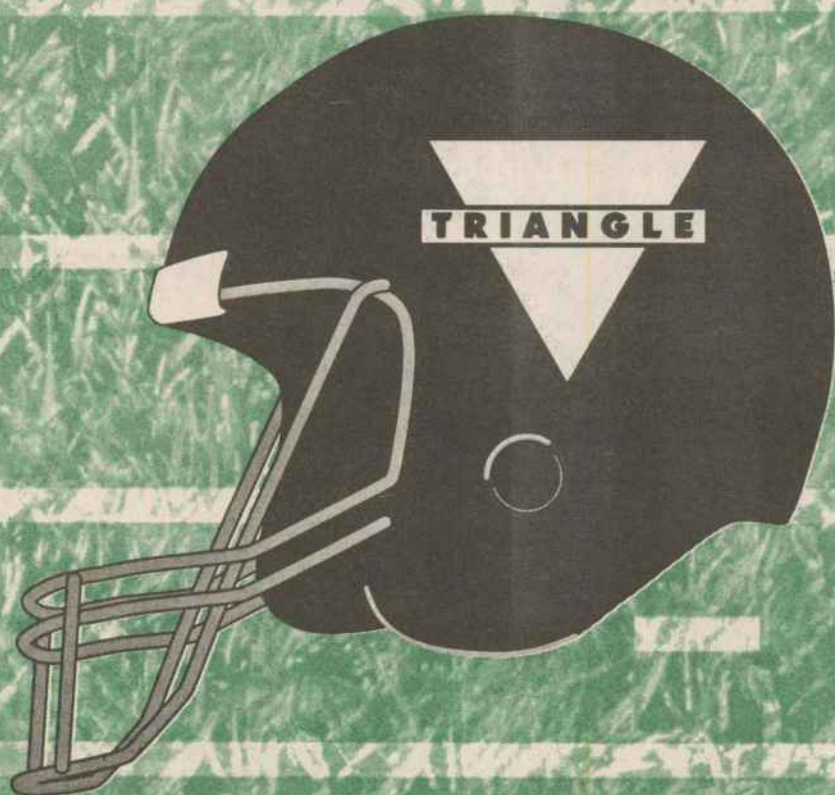
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